



# THE KINROSS ROAR

NEWS FROM YOUR FAVOURITE CURLING RINK

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## Your newsletter

This newsletter is for members of Kinross Curling and user clubs to share news about our great sport. The views are those of contributors and are not necessarily shared by Kinross Curling Trust Ltd.

This is a monthly newsletter and will be circulated to all members and clubs.

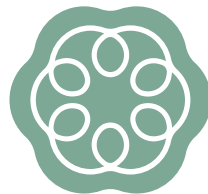
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[newsletter@kinrosscurling.co.uk](mailto:newsletter@kinrosscurling.co.uk)

**The next edition will be issued in September**

**Deadline for contributions 9.9.24**

LOCH LEVEN'S  
**LARDER**



Loch Leven's Larder and Ness Plant return as major sponsors for the season ahead. **See inside for news of a new major sponsor**

## **Kinross Curling Trust AGM Thursday 29th August 7.00pm**

Please make sure you have this date in your diary and you come along and support your curling rink.



### **What did you do this summer?**

KCT Chairman Jim Barton kept busy this summer watering the plants at the gardens at Aberdour Railway Station!

Of course he was also busy with various projects at KCT to make sure we are ready for the new season.



# Wealth Management

**Great news - we welcome a third major sponsor for the new season.**

**This company has grown a reputation for supporting curling (as well as a very good reputation for growing investments!) They will sponsor one of the main leagues at the rink ... news to follow in the next issue.**



**A mystery picture?!**

**Do you know what this is?**

**News from our roving reporter from the RCCC AGM:**

The AGM was held at Hamilton Racecourse as the ice rink was not available. (It was being used as a film set for an forthcoming movie about the Lockerbie disaster)

Four members of our successful Maxwell Trophy squad took part in the 'Champions Parade' at the start of the AGM. Craig Lindsay, Gary Rutherford, Graham Lindsay and Phil Barton were pleased to represent the rink.

Congratulations to Keith Wilson, Markinch CC - on being elected to one of the two vacant posts as Director of Scottish Curling.



Two local curlers were noted as reaching their 50 years as members of the RCCC - Ena Stevenson and Dot Borthwick - seen here with the celebration cake at Kinross Curling (issue 14)

Inverkeithing CC have been trying to find out if there will be a Grand Match in 2025/26 season. Information has been limited and at times contradictory. It was quite reassuring to hear that Keith Prentice, the new Vice President was advised after his election that he will lead the team setting up the event

The next RCCC AGM will be on 28th June 2025!

## Sponsors and supporters for the new season:

We appreciate the great support from a wide range of businesses, clubs and individuals.

**Main sponsors:** Loch Leven's Larder, Ness Plant and LGT Wealth Management.

**End of ice boards:** Thank you to all the companies supporting his with end of ice boards: 1848, Geyer Plant, Kinross Physiotherapy, John White, Breedon and BEAR Scotland.

**Adopt a Stone:** Tulliallan CC, Linton Family, Phil & Dave Barton, Alastair Lamond, Inverkeithing CC, so far for the next season...

**Buy a Brick:** We have reopened the scheme to buy a brick - see wall at top of main entrance. As these bricks are there without time limit the new minimum price is £250 per brick. Loch Leven Province have ordered a brick!

**Honours boards:** We are pleased to welcome the following clubs to the super display of club champions in the bar lounge. In due course we would be so pleased for all our member clubs to have at least one board. **Kinross CC, Kinross Juniors CC, Pitlessie CC and Dunfermline Ladies CC.** They join the following clubs/leagues with boards: Boreland CC, Broomhall CC, Dunfermline CC, Forret CC, Orwelll Mens CC, Ladies super League (Coadys), Sunday Super League (NFU), Inverkeithing CC.



The ice pad floor has been covered in a new vinyl surface - this has reduced the time spent painting the floor - and will now mean that the painstaking task of removing paint at the end of the season is no longer required.

For your interest the picture across is of the under ice logos ready to be laid down after the plant has been fired up and the first levels of ice have been installed.



## NEW EVENT TO BE LAUNCHED AT KINROSS

The South of England Curling Club is organizing a new super league for competitive teams based in the U.K. during the 2024/25 curling season. This is intended for teams that enter national championships in England, Scotland, Wales, and Ireland that are not currently receiving sponsorship from British Curling. The league exists to promote

quality competition for the “competitive amateur”. We welcome men’s, women’s, juniors, seniors, and mixed fours teams,

The league will run on Saturdays and Sundays over three weekends in the curling season. The format will be two games on Saturday and one game on Sunday morning. We will also have a dinner each Saturday evening for the teams to promote the social side of the game.

The Dates

**Week 1. Kinross 7/8 September 2024**

Week 2. Dumfries 5/6 October 2024

Week 3. Dumfries 18/19 January 2025

The total cost for the season is £900 per team. This will include a 9-minute practice before every game. A meal each Saturday night at the host rink. And a small kitty for cash prizes. We'll pay out £20 to a team per win and some additional prizes for the playoff high road and low road winners, plus a skins competition for teams that don't make the finals. This assumes 8 teams. Prizes will be adjusted if we attract a larger field. We have a maximum capacity for 16 teams. To register teams must sign up and put down a £300 deposit. The remainder of the fees (£600) will be due August 25th.

Enquiries can be made to Jonathan Havercroft (league convenor) at:  
[jonathan.havercroft@gmail.com](mailto:jonathan.havercroft@gmail.com)

**The first weekend of the season starts with this great opportunity to see aspiring international curlers.**

## Catering and refreshments at Kinross Curling

We must all be so pleased with the standard and range of meals/snacks that were available at the rink last season. There was a determined effort to increase the options. Angie and John have been working hard to continue this trend for next season.

All curlers should not take this service for granted. It is no secret that the bar and meals are provided without a firm proviso that they return a surplus... they are part of creating the best environment for curlers before and after matches. **A THOUGHT:** if every curler spent an extra pound or so on every visit that would make a massive difference.





## TRY CURLING!

At Kinross, we offer a wide variety of Try Curling sessions from Junior (minimum age 8) through to adult. The rink runs subsidised Try Curling sessions for locals interested in taking up the sport. These cost £14 for 2 hours (£10 for Juniors), and will give you a fun introduction to the sport. They are run by qualified coaches. Private and team-bonding sessions can also be arranged.

Sessions can be booked on our website, [www.Kinrosscurling.co.uk](http://www.Kinrosscurling.co.uk), or by contacting Kim on [curlingdev@kinrosscurling.co.uk](mailto:curlingdev@kinrosscurling.co.uk). The sessions currently planned are as follows:

**SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 14:30**  
**SATURDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 10:00**  
**SUNDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 14:30**  
**SUNDAY 3RD NOVEMBER, 10:00**  
**SATURDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 12:15**  
**SUNDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 10:00**  
**SATURDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 10:00**

### Development News

We have put together a number of coaching opportunities for the new session and I hope there is something in the programme for everyone. Please get in touch to discuss or sign up for any of the sessions below, or to let me know any other coaching suggestions or needs.

#### Try Curling dates are listed alongside (Phil?)

Please share these with any friends, family or colleagues who you think may want to give curling a go. They can be booked on our website:

[https://kinrosscurling.co.uk/clubs/kinross-curling/pages/try\\_curling](https://kinrosscurling.co.uk/clubs/kinross-curling/pages/try_curling)

#### Beginner 1 and 2

For anyone who came to Try Curling sessions last season and didn't get a chance to attend Beginner coaching, or those planning to come to Try Curling this season. See more and book on our website:

[https://kinrosscurling.co.uk/clubs/kinross-curling/pages/coaching\\_courses](https://kinrosscurling.co.uk/clubs/kinross-curling/pages/coaching_courses)

### Improvers

Previously called 'Beginner Bonus', we have renamed these sessions to 'Improvers' to extend them to more ability groups. These one-hour sessions will be held every other Monday at 2.30pm from 16<sup>th</sup> September. Each group will be limited to four participants. Please let me know if you would like to attend so that we make sure we have the right number and level of coaches there. Cost: £14

### Stick Coaching

The first stick coaching of the season has been scheduled for **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September at 3.30pm**. Spaces limited to four so please book as soon as possible. Suitable for anyone who would like to try curling with a stick next season or who would like some tips to improve. Cost: £14 for an hour's session.

### 1-1 Coaching

New for this season, we are holding one to one coaching sessions for all levels. They will be for half an hour at a reduced price of £12 to include the ice fees. Please email me if you are interested in booking a session.

### Club Try Curling Sessions

Why not get your club members to bring their friends and family along to try curling? We organise it all and provide the coaches. All you do is invite the participants. The cost is £14 per participant (£10 for under 18s). We already have sessions in the diary for Glenfarg, St Andrews and Kinross CC. Don't miss out on an easy opportunity to introduce new members to your club!

**Kim Dalland, Curling Development Officer**

Next Issue: will be in September when we will have all the news and views for the start of the 2024/25 season. Please send contributions to [newsletter@kinrosscurling.co.uk](mailto:newsletter@kinrosscurling.co.uk)