

Scottish Student Curling Open 2020
North West Castle, Stranraer, DG9 8EH
Friday 27th March – Sunday 29th March

PRE-EVENT INFORMATION

Description of Event: Open Curling Bonspiel, open to teams of any four eligible curlers¹

Date: 27th-29th March 2020

Venue: Stranraer Ice Rink, North West Castle, Port Rodie, Stranraer, DG9 8EH

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Registration: Skips' meeting 20 minutes before their first draw. Teams to check in with organiser. Matriculation cards may be checked. Organiser will give skips a short briefing on the format of competition, rules, etc. Failure to attend skips meeting with result in forfeit of LSFE in the first game. No entries will be accepted on the day

Equipment Regulations The following brush types may not be used for sweeping purposes: brushes with any form of stiffening insert, Hardline original IcePads, Balance Plus Black, Balance Plus EQ+, hair head brooms, no corn brooms. Hair headed brooms and corn brooms may be used as sliding devices only.

As per the RCCC Rules of Curling, no equipment which causes damage to the ice will be permitted on the field of play. Organisers and Umpires will determine suitability of equipment on a case-by-case basis.

Draw and/or Format To be determined on number of entries. Up to 16, pool based round robin followed by knock-out stages. 16-18, modified Schenkel with later knock-out.

Warm Up: Athletes may find their own space inside or outside the facility to warm up. Athletes must provide their own warm-up equipment.

¹ Curlers should all be matriculated students at a Scottish institution of Higher/Further Education. Guest teams containing alumni of Scottish Institutions or students from Home Nations institutions may be play but are ineligible for the title of Scottish Student Curling Open champions.

Medals and Ceremony: SSS Medals for the ScotStuCurling Open Champions and SSS Medals for the winners of the ScotStuCurling League to be presented by Chair and appropriate Vice-Chair (IW for League, JW for Open). Overall winners of the Open (open to non-student teams) to also be presented with non-SSS medal (paid for with supplementary charge to entrants).

Ceremony to be held at conclusion of the Championship Final in the *Alpine Bar* at North West Castle. Photos to be taken and sent to SSS.

Changing Room access Male and Female changing facilities provided within the curling rink. All athletes will have access to their rooms within the hotel (of which the rink is a constituent part) for private changing as well.

Withdrawal Policy: If you no longer intend to participate, please contact the event organiser as soon as possible. SSS Terms and Conditions will have been sent with your booking confirmation email so please refer to this for information on the SSS Refund Policy.

How To Get There By Public Transport: Trains to “Stranraer”, these will most likely run through Glasgow Central and changing at Ayr, if you are travelling from outside Glasgow to Stranraer, you may have to change in Glasgow – the station is across the road from North West Castle. CityLink buses may be available, you should check availability from your bus station.

By Car:

(Via Kilmarnock and Ayr) Travel Southbound on the A77 following signs for Stranraer. The road becomes narrower and with more sharp bends after Ballantrae so care should be taken. This will become Cairnryan Road in Stranraer, North West Castle will be opposite the harbour jetty on the left. This is the best route if you are travelling through Glasgow.

(Via Dumfries) Leave Dumfries Westbound on the A75, you can take the Westbound exit from the roundabout at St. Teresa’s Primary School, heading towards the Dumfries Royal Infirmary. Stay on the A75 all the way to Stranraer where it will become the London Road. Turn right down Stair Drive, then left onto Cairnryan Road, the hotel is across from the harbour jetty on the left. This may be the best route coming from England via Gretna, or coming from Dumfries itself.

GoogleMaps: <https://goo.gl/maps/ypcupmgJTuitFYQW7>

Facilities at Venue Bed, breakfast and dinner are provided at the venue in the entry. Lunch can be bought from the *Alpine Bar* at the venue along with a range of hot and cold drinks. There are bars, cafés, restaurants, and shops in Stranraer itself, with a large Morrison's supermarket nearby to the venue. Toilets and changing facilities are also available throughout the venue.

There are also recreational facilities available to participants including a games room with carpet bowls, pool, and snooker, as well as a spa with pool, hot-tub and steam rooms.

Accommodation (if applicable e.g. two-day events): Accommodation provided at North West Castle with entry fee.

Rules and Regulations: The competition will be played under the rules of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club (Scottish Curling) with exceptions for brush rules etc., provided on the draw document which will be issued to all clubs participating.

Questions: Please direct all questions to James Whittle (scotstudcurling@gmail.com, +447801654091)

Social Media: We love to hear your experiences at our events, so please tag us @ScotStuSport on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram! Please also use the hashtag: #ScotStuCurling

Photography: If there is a photographer at the event, we will share the photos on our Facebook page – so make sure you like it to get the updates! If you do not wish to appear in any photographs, please make this clear to the organiser or the photographer

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Scottish Student Sport are looking to reduce the environmental impact of their events.
Please bring your own reusable water bottle and recycle wherever possible