## PROVINCE COMPETITION RULES

#### **SEASON 2021 / 2022**

One copy of the Renfrewshire XII<sup>th</sup> Province Competition Rules will be displayed on the Province Notice Board.

One copy will be sent to all the Secretaries of participating Clubs within the Province.

One copy will be kept in the Ice Rink Office.

Greenacres do not charge club members playing in XII<sup>th</sup> Province Competitions who do not regularly play at the Ice Rink. This is a long standing agreement from the Stevenson era.

Any member of a club which has Renfrewshire XII<sup>th</sup> Province membership may play in any Renfrewshire XII<sup>th</sup> Province competition for that club, or for any other Province club of which he or she is a member. However, in any single competition in any single season, a member may not play for more than one club.

In any Province competition it will be accepted that a delivery stick may be used, provide that use conforms with RCCC "Curling Delivery Stick rules 4 (i) to (iv)".

Scorecards will be made out prior to the game and should be correctly filled in by the appropriate teams. The cards should have the full names of the players, the match score, and be signed by the skips. They should be deposited in the Province Score Card box in the bar or handed to a Province Committee member if present at the competition.

All competitions will be eight ends or the bell, whichever is sooner.

In the event of a points tie in a competition, the winning rink will be decided, unless otherwise stated, by applying the following:

- A) Highest shots difference
- B) Highest shots scored
- C) Lowest shots against
- D) Highest number of ends won
- E) Lowest number of ends lost

Competition results will be updated as soon as possible, and posted on the Province notice board, Province web site and Province Facebook page as soon as practical.

The Free Guard Zone rule applies to the first five stones and will apply to all Province Competitions.

# **FAILURE TO APPEAR**

Please note that the RCCC rules do <u>not</u> now apply where a game is void after 30 minutes if there are only 3 players in a team.

Rules for all games played within the Renfrewshire XII<sup>th</sup> Province Competitions are as follows:

- a) A game commences as soon as the ice is available for play, usually indicated by a bell or a buzzer.
- b) If a team starts with three players, due to the late appearance of a player, then a penalty of 1 shot is awarded at the start of the end and if the player is not there at the end of the end then another penalty of 1 shot is awarded. Start is when the first stone has been released, and the end is concluded when the last stone has come to rest.
- c) Maximum number of shots that can be awarded is 5.
  A game will not be forfeit so long as there are a minimum of three players per team.
- d) The format of play with three will be that the Skip plays the last two stones in an end, and the other players deliver three stones each per end.

Under circumstances where a team take to the ice with four players, and one player is injured, either during the warm up or during play, play continues with three players without penalty.

It is not acceptable, for a team to have a player deliver two stones and leave the ice, simply to avoid a penalty.

The game is forfeit if 2 or fewer players are available at the start of the ice time and the opposition team receives 2 points and 6 shots and the offending team receive 0 points and lose 6 shots. The Ice money is the responsibility of the offending team, or their club.

This revision to the Province Rules was approved by the AGM held on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2010

A player arriving late may only take to the ice at the start of an end.

## **CANCELLATION / POSTPONEMENT**

In the event of a club cancelling or postponing a game that club shall ensure that ice offered to their opposition must allow the game to take place at least 24 hours before the next round of the competition is affected. The Match Secretary must be informed, by both teams, of all cancellations / postponements, including the new date and who was responsible for the cancellation / postponement.

In all cases where cancellation or postponement occurs and no suitable alternative ice and dates can be agreed between the clubs then the club who cancelled or postponed the tie will forfeit the game and be liable for all ice money costs.

# **COMPETITIONS**

Members should note that all competitions, except the Ladies Broom and Ladies League, are open to ladies, gents or mixed teams.

**RAMSHEAD** 

(Start date 1st October

2021)

One rink entry per Club and all games are proposed to be played on Friday evenings at 18:00.

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The first section of the competition will be played on a league basis with teams qualifying for a knockout phase. The number of entries will dictate the number of sections and teams qualifying for the knockout phase.

The Province Match Secretary will, before the start of the competition, notify participating Clubs of league structure and number of teams to qualify from each section.

In the league section of the Ramshead the winning scores will be based on:-

POINTS - SHOTS UP - TOTAL SHOTS - ENDS.

In the event of a draw in the knockout section of the competition ends will count. If ends are even then the skips will draw a shot to the head, which may be swept.

The winning team is nominated to represent the 12<sup>th</sup> Province in the RCCC National Province Championship.

## **BARRATT CUP**

(Start date 11th October

2021)

One rink entry per Club and all games are proposed to be played on Monday evenings at 20:30.

The Cup is a straight knockout competition with the number of rounds dictated by the number of entries. It will mean your club is committed to approximately four games to reach the final in March 2022

Rinks will consist of four players drawn from a pool of no more than six.

In the event of a draw ends will count. If ends are even then the skips will draw a shot to the head. The skips shots to the head may be swept.

## **SHAND HARVEY**

(The weekend of 26th and 27th February

2022)

Two Rink entry per club with one playing one game on the Saturday and one playing one game on the Sunday. A Province prize is awarded to all clubs who achieve a shots up aggregate score.

Playing times on both Saturday and Sunday are 10:00 and 12:30 but if you nominate your clubs preferred playing times the Province will endeavour to arrange the draw to satisfy all clubs. We request that you try to be as flexible as possible.

NOTE – Due to the number of entries playing times are 12:30 on both days.

# LADIES BROOM

(Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January

2022)

Two-rink entry per club each playing one game for the Broom

A club may enter only one rink but would be ineligible to win the Broom, but eligible to win the competition for the highest-up rink.

The Broom will be awarded to the club with the greatest number of shots up and a prize will be awarded to the rink having the highest up shots.

The games will be played as eight ends or the bell and in the event of a tie ends then total shots will decide the winning club.

Playing times will be 15:15 and 18:00 but if you nominate your clubs preferred playing times the Province will endeavour to arrange the draw to satisfy all clubs. We request that you try to be as flexible as possible. The draw will be issued to all clubs entering as soon after our ice allocation as possible.

#### **LADIES LEAGUE**

(Start date 5<sup>th</sup> October

2021)

A Province club competition which is open to lady members of the same club. Games will take place on Tuesdays at 18:00.

The Province is prepared to accept more than one entry per club provided that if more than one team per club is entered then that club will ensure that no player plays for more than one team.

The rules for the Ladies League are the same as the league section of the Ramshead.

# PRESIDENT v VICE - PRESIDENT

(24<sup>th</sup> March

2022)

One rink entry per club. Taking place at the Waterfront where playing times are 14:30, 17:40 and 20:00.

Please nominate your club's preferred playing time and the Province will endeavour to arrange the draw to satisfy all clubs. We request that you try to be as flexible as possible.

Prizes will be awarded to the highest up rink in both the Presidents and Vice-Presidents teams.

In the event of a tie winners will be decided on Ends and then Total Shots.

## **GREENACRES POINTS TROPHY**

(13<sup>th</sup> March

2022)

The Province would like all clubs to consider combining their existing points competition within the Greenacres Points.

Individual players would then have the opportunity for their score to be entered into either their club competition, the Province competition or both.

The competition will be run on a Sunday afternoon starting at 12:30.

Traditionally entries have been accepted on the day but the Province would appreciate a notice of commitment by any club who intend to use the competition to hold their own Game of Points.

# OSPREY SALVER

(8<sup>th</sup> January

2022)

The Osprey Salver is intended as a social and competitive occasion which will be run as a Bonspiel where Shots Up will be the most important count, followed by Total Shots then Ends.

Team compilation is open but mixed is encouraged.

Please arrive at least 15 minutes before the Start to draw which sheets and what colours you will be playing in your two games.

Each game will be 4 ends and after each game the teams will move to the second sheet they have drawn.

The teams at the top of the scoreboard will have the hammer at the first end played.

Open entries with entry per club. Taking place at Greenacres on a Saturday at 10:00 am.

### **INTER - PROVINCE COMPETITIONS**

The Province Committee would appreciate it if all clubs give consideration to providing either teams or individual players for each, or all, of the following competitions.

### THE WALDIE - GRIFFITH INTER PROVINCE COMPETITON

This Inter-Province Cup is a four-team entry Scottish Curling competition played for annually by the Scottish Provinces.

Once the draw is made the Province will agree the dates and the method of play to complete the four games with our opposition. Full competition details and rules are in the Scottish Curling Rules of the Game or the Scottish Curling web site. The playing level of this competition may appeal to competitive skips entering their own team so the Province would be delighted to accept competition teams, club teams or individual entries from which it could form teams.

#### <u>HARRY</u> <u>HART</u>

The Harry Hart Trophy is an Inter-Province competition played annually between 3 rinks each from Renfrewshire and Ayr Provinces. Traditionally it is played in the afternoon on a rotating home and away basis. This year it will be held at Ayr and the Province would be delighted to accept club teams or individual entries from which it could form teams.

GILMOUR MEMORIAL TROPHY

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The Gilmour Cup is an Inter-Province competition played annually between 4 rinks each from Renfrewshire and Dunbartonshire provinces. It is played on a Saturday or Sunday morning on a rotating home and away basis. This season it will be held at Greenacres and will be followed by a soup and sandwiches lunch. The Province would be delighted to accept individual entries from which it could form teams.

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