## ST RONAN'S CURLING CLUB

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We are a small sociable club of mixed abilities and always looking for new members of all ages, ability and experience. The primary aim of our club is to provide an enjoyable environment in which to play our sport. Our club was founded in 1871 and was originally based in the Innerleithen area – our name is taken from St Ronan's Wells, a local spring popularised by Sir Walter Scott. Currently we have no members from Innerleithen, but most members are based within the Galashiels to Jedburgh corridor, although we have new members from other Borders towns.

Our season lasts from October to March and involves playing 5 club competitions, normally played at the 5.45pm and 8.00pm sessions, with exception of the Bonspiel.

<u>Bonspiel</u> – played in the afternoon session on a Saturday in early November <u>Struthers Trophy</u> (and the Wooden Spoon for the last-placed team) – played before Christmas

<u>Pairs</u> – played in mid-December <u>Bank Trophy</u> – played after New Year <u>Points</u> - played in mid-February

We also play in annual friendly matches against Chirnside, Jedburgh, Kelso, Pentlands and Bank of Scotland (Edinburgh) throughout the season.

All our members are eligible to play in all of our competitions and are invited to enter these well in advance of the agreed dates. Teams will then be drawn accordingly and the draws will be e-mailed to members and displayed on the club notice board at the Ice Rink. The Club is not a member of the Border Province and does not generally play in the Border Ice Rink competitions, although individual members are at liberty to enter these competitions where appropriate.

Presently our membership subscription is £40, covering the RCCC membership levy of £30 and our own club fee. The current BIR Club subscription of £30 is also payable through the club. All ice charges are paid at the Ice Rink on the night of play.

The running costs of the club are funded by our own club fee and also raffle proceeds at the Bonspiel and Barbecue. During the summer, we hold our Annual Dinner and Prizegiving in May and a Barbecue in August.