

Feb. 16:

Hotel Terminus.
Zürich.

Dear W. Bliss

Ever so many thanks
for your letter re the Curling Club.
It sounds a very good
proposition, & we are fully
appreciative of being asked
to join it! But alas hardly
all the curlers have already
departed, rather disgusted
with the finish up of the
season, - no ice & no show!
So far all I have been
able to get out of them is
that they would like to
wait until next season
before making up their
minds to become members.

Constitution and Rules.

At a meeting held in the Sports Hotel on Wednesday 4th. Febr. 1925, it was decided to form a Curling Club to be called the Saanenmöser Curling Club to be affiliated to the Royal Caledonian Curling Club. Mr. J. Bliss was elected President, Mr. Ruthwen-Smith was elected Vice-President, Mr. Wehren was elected Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

It was resolved :

1. That the entrance fee be frs. 5.- and the annual subscription be frs. 5.-
2. That all residents of the Sports Hotel & in the neighbourhood, be eligible to become Members after being proposed by one Member & seconded by another. Further that residents at Zweisimmen be eligible for Membership on the same conditions, limited to the number of 10 players, such limitation & such conditions to be subject to alteration as may hereafter be found necessary.
3. The players in any match, either at home or away, to be chosen from among the club members, by a selection committee appointed each year for the purpose.
4. Members of the Club may reserve the special pair of stones they are accustomed to play with, for their own use during the season, providing they are on the rink when play begins.
5. That any funds accumulated be spent according to the decision of a general-meeting of Club Members, such decision to hold good for that particular reason.
6. These rules may be altered & amended at any General-meeting duly convened for the purpose.

1925.

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Members-

Joseph Ellis

19 Buckingham Palace Apartments

London - S.W.1.

Entrance fee 5- p.

And. Behren,

Spa Hotel - Kurhaus,

Badenweiler

Entrance fr. 5.- p.

Mr. L. Morris,

Tighnamara,

Rosneath

Dimbartonshire, Scotland

Entrance fr 5.- p.

Mr. F. C. Anderson } 1 St. Helen's Terrace

Miss E. N. Anderson } Richmond Surrey

Entrance 10/-

Mr. H de R. Morgan

Adjutant's House

Lyons - The Buffs

Canterbury

Entrance 5/-

C.B. Smiles.

Yr. trust. Thos. Cook & Son

London.

E.C. 4.

115.

J. R. Scott.

The Croft, Wilmslow, Manchester, England

115.

R.F. Ruthven Smith Villa Lussy Montreux

Entrance fee fr. 5-

Sporthotel, Saanenmoeser. (Winter 1926/1927.)

A meeting of the Club having been called for Thursday, 24th February 1927.

There were present: Mr. Wehren, Mr. Ruthven-Smith & Mr. Bliss, the only members of the Club in residence.

The account was examined, fr. 90.- being in hand. - The three members each paid their years subscription, bringing the total fund up to fr. 105.- .

The matter of having the stones repolished was discussed & Mr. Ruthven-Smith kindly undertook to obtain an estimate for the work from the man at Montreux.

Captain Blake promised to join the Club & paid his entrance, viz. fr. 5.- * also Cal. Hones.

It was further decided to pay the Jee-man a gratuity for this year of fr. 20.- .

Saanenmoeser, febr. 24th 1927.

Joseph F. F. F.

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February 1927	Balance	£. 90. -
	Entrance Capt. Blake	5. -
	" Col. Jones	5. -
	year subscription R. Hutton	5. -
	" Mr. Rhin	5. -
	" Mr. Rutherford Smith	5. -

Total 115. -

Expense to the Sec. man £. 20. -

Repolishing of 4 curling stones . 28.60

48.60

Balance 1st. January 1928

66.40

1928. Jan 6. Mr. A. Douglas, Esq. Wyndstone Place, Brookthorpe
Co. Gloucester, joins the Curling Club.

and pays his entrance & the annual subscription

Mr. Watkinson pays the annual subscription

Major General Isaacs pays the annual subscription

Total

£. 20. -

Jan. 16th. Annual Subscrip. Mr. Anderson : 5. -
" " Capt. Morgan : 5. -

30. -

1928

January 31st.

They joins the Curling Club & payd the entrance

Mr. C. W. Walker and the annual subscription

Mrs. C. W. Walker Glasgow 20. -

Mr D. D. Ogilvie " 10. -

Mr. D. D. Gilroy " 10. -

Mr. W. B. Wilson 10. -

Mr. J. M. Walker 10. -

60. -

Subscriptions: Entrance from Jan. 6th & 16th 30. -

Annual Subscription for two years Mr. Morris 10. -

" " Mr. Bliss 5. -

" " Mr Ruthven Smith 5. -

" " Capt. Blackie 5. -

" " Mr. Wehren 5. -

Polbe 1927 66.40

Credit balance 186.40

186.40

1928 March 8. Bill Wunderlich medals 21.75

164.65

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Sporthotel, Saanenmoeser. (Winter 1927/1928.)

The Annual General Meeting was held on the 8th February 1928.

Present : Mr. Bliss, president, in the Chair, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Walker, Messrs. R. Morris, Ruthven Smith & Mr. Wehren Hon. Treasurer.

The minutes of the last An. Gen. Meeting were read & confirmed. The Accounts showed a credit balance of fr. 166.40 to which are to be added frs. 20.- for subscriptions due, making a total of fr. 186.40.

Mrs. Fyfe having most kindly offered a Trophy to the Club to encourage Curling, the President was asked to express the grateful acceptance by the members of the Club.

Proposed by Mr. R. Morris, Seconded by Mr. Ch. Walker, That Mrs. Fyfe be made an honorary member of the Club- carried nem. com.

Mr. Wehren was asked if it would be possible to have 2 Curling Ponds made for next winter, large enough to hold 2 Rinks

This Mr. Wehren promised to do and it was suggested that a fee be charged for each player not being a member of the Club.

Club- Badges : Mr. Ruthven Smith was empowered to obtain estimates of the approved design in gunmetal, & to accept the best terms for the smallest number over 2 dozen. The Die to be kept.

Mr. Wehren kindly consented that the manager of the Hotel for the time being become the Hon. Sec. of the Club.

Mrs. Chas. Walker made the following proposals for playing for the Fyfe Trophy, seconded by Mr. Ruthven Smith & carried nem. com. in a competition among Members of the Saanenmoeser Curling Club known as "a Kettle" according to the rules of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club commencing next Winter, to be concluded before Febr. 15th.

Stones must be placed according to the Roy. Caledonian Club Rules.

Two members of the Club must be present, of whom Mr. Wehren be one, if possible.

That the Winner could record his or her year of winning on the reverse side of the Club Badge.

That Mr. Wehren take charge of the Trophy.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman terminated the Meeting.

Robert Morris

During the first week of February at a Bonspiel on the Gstaad Village Rink the first Saanenmoeser Club-team composed of Mr. & Mrs. C. Walker, Mr. D. Ogilvie & Mr. D. Gilroy won the Gstaad Challenge Shield in the final with Caux Curling Club skipped by Maj. Kerr.

The Challenge Cup was won by the Second team of the Saanenmoeser Curling Club composed of Mr. W. B. Wilson, skip, Mr. R. Wehren, Mr. W. Walker & Mr. Ruthven Smith in the final with Gstaad Team no

On the 10th February an invitation to play a friendly match was sent to various Clubs, & was accepted by The Lenk, Chateau d'Oex & Gstaad Clubs.

In this match Saanenmoeser beat Chateau d'Oex (11-8.) Gstaad beat Lenk (10-2) and in the final after a well contested game Gstaad beat the home team. (11-8.)

This Club presented the Winning-team with four souvenir medals.

Morning Post

RACING AND CURLING

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

CHATEAU D'OEX, Feb. 6.

The first horse races of the season took place yesterday on St. Moritz lake, which, with the numerous stands, paddocks, and totalisator buildings, no longer resembles a lake, but a winter racecourse on snow. Racing will be resumed next Thursday and Sunday, and will include flat races, hurdle and ski-joring, and trotting.

The Cresta Run has been open from the top since the first of the month.

Seven teams entered for the Cresta Palace curling cup played last week on the rinks of the Cresta Palace Hotel at Celerina. The winners were St. Moritz Curling Club (J. J. MacMillan, lead and skip, J. Brown, Dr. Edgecombe, and Mr. E. F. Crabbe), who defeated the Kulm team (Colonel E. F. Gossage, skip, Mr. J. Locksedge, Mr. B. A. Simson, and K. Neumont) in the final by 19 stones to 4.

Curling for the Gstaad shield and Addor Cup took place last week at Gstaad. The shield was won by a team of keen Scottish curlers staying at the Sports Hotel, Saanenmoeser, who, skipped by Mr. Walker, with Mrs. Walker playing No. 3, defeated the Caux Curling Club, skipped by Major Kerr, in the final after some keen curling. Saanenmoeser second team, in which Mr. Wehren, of the Sports Hotel, was playing, won the Addor Cup.

Curling meeting February 6th 1929.

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The minutes of last were approved.

The following new members were admitted;

W. R. Forrester
Mrs D. D. Gilroy
Mr Allen Macbeth
Mr B. Thomas

Proposed by Mr Morris, seconded by C.W. Walker.

Trophy.

A notice calling for entry for Mrs Fyfe's trophy be posted at once. Entrants may play on any date between 7th February and 15th February inclusive.

Decided that two new Crampits of approved design be purchased by the club.

Decided that a gratuity of 20 frs. be given annually to the ice man.

The following Committee was appointed for the ensuing year.

President

Mr Bliss

Vice "

Mr Ruthwen Smith

Hon. Sec. & treasur.

Mr Wehren

Members

Mr Morris

Mr Wilson

Mr Gilroy

Mr Walekr

TROPHY was won by Mr C. W. Walker with a score of II points.

Joseph Bliss

Account 1928/29

Table 1928

164.65

Entrance Mr. Forrester
Mrs. Gilroy
Mr. Macbeth
Mr. Thomas

5. -
5. -
5. -
5. -

Annual Subscription
Mr. Mrs. Gilroy
Mr. " " Walker

10. -
10. -

Mr. J. Anderson

5. -

Mr. Wilson

5. -

Mr. Macbeth

5. -

Mr. Thomas

5. -

Mr. Forrester

5. -

Mr. Morris

5. -

Mr. King with Entrance

10. -

Mr. Hether

5. -

Receipt for 13 Curling badges

45.50

Annual Subscription Mr. Blinn

305.15

Paid to Mr. Johnson Smith for 25 Curl. Badges
gratuity to the ice man

68.30
20. -

Table 1929

246.85

305.15

305.15

Table 1929
in hand

for 216.85
12 Curling Badges.

Minutes of a Club-Meeting held at S'möser

on January 18th 1930.

Present Mr. Bliss, in the chair, and Messrs. Morris, Peel, Wehren, Partridge and Allen.

Minutes of the last Meeting were read and were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Crampits Mr. Wehren was asked to obtain these as soon as possible.

Accounts. Mr. Wehren produced the accounts for the last year. These showed a credit balance in hand this year of 216.85 francs. Mr. Morris proposed, Mr. Partridge seconded that the account be passed. Carried.

Members. Dr. Peel & Messrs. Partridge and Allen were duly elected members of the Club. It was decided to post a list of members in the Minute book each year.

Match at Gstaad.

Gstaad Club, having invited the Club to a competition it was decided to enter whenever possible.

Bliss Challenge Cup .

Mr. Bliss announced that Mrs. Bliss and himself had given a Challenge Cup to the Club and asked that members should discuss the conditions under which competitions for the cup should be held. That the Cup should be called

"The Bliss Challenge Cup, Saanenmöser".

It was decided that the conditions as layed down by Château d'Oex Curling Club should stand as Saanenmöser conditions.

Also that the usual Teams on the M.O.B. & French speaking Cantons & Bernese Oberland should be invited to compete.

That the competition should always be held at Saanenmöser.

That the winners (if away from home) should return the Cup to S'möser at the beginning of each season.

That the number of ends played should be decided by the committee before the match.

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New Stones.

It was agreed that a new pair of stones should be purchased.

Sinking Fund.

Dr. Peel proposed and Mr. Morris seconded that a Sinking Fund be stated and that 10 francs yearly should be set aside. The Sinking Fund being for the purchase of a new Challenge Cup should the Bliss Challenge Cup be won out right at any time, carried.

Bliss Challenge Cup"

Match for 1930

Mr. Wehren was asked to get copies of the conditions printed and to send a copy together with an invitation to all the usual Clubs.

It was agreed that the match be played during the last week in January or the first week in February as weather conditions permit.

Caux Mr. Wehren produced an invitation from Caux Curling Club to a match at Caux on Febr. 3rd.

It was decided to accept this if possible.

26th January 1930.

Joseph Bliss