2026 USWCA SCOT TOUR







What is the Scot Tour?

- Friendly competition between the USWCA and the Royal Caledonian Curling Club
- Reciprocal tour between Scotland and the United States
- US tours Scotland every 10 years

Tour Highlights

- Represent the USWCA and your club
- Hosted by Scots in their homes and clubs
- Visit many clubs across Scotland
- Curl 2 eight-end games per day
- Honored guest at luncheons and dinner banquets
- Tour Scotland by team bus





Seeing the Sights



Broom Stacking / Making Friends



Making Music / Entertaining







When is the Tour?

Approximately 3 weeks - Late October / Early November 2026 (Exact dates TBD)





Tour Costs

- Airfare between US departure point (TBA) and Scotland
- Team uniforms including official off-ice clothing
- Bus transportation from the US departure point to the airport
- Hotel and dinner costs at the US departure location
- Bus transportation throughout Scotland
- Most meals and drinks while in Scotland
- Gratuities for bus drivers
- Official team gifts to the hostesses and couriers

Estimated \$8,000 - \$10,000

Additional Estimated Costs \$2,000 - \$4,000

- Mandatory attendance at the USWCA Sept. 2026 Meeting in Central Region
- Round trip travel to the designated US departure city from your location
- Individual luggage conforming to the tour specifications
- Shoes, handbag, and accessories to complete your uniform
- Trading pins an estimate of 25 each of the following totaling 50 pins for all Scots that you will curl:
 - (25) Region/state pin, & (25) club pin
- Individual gifts for hostesses and couriers (estimate at least 12)
- Additional meals and drinks during unscheduled day in Scotland (approximately 2-3 days

Who can Participate?

- American female citizens eligible for a US Passport
- Curlers over 21 years of age
- Able to curl 2 games a day for 3 weeks
- Regular slide delivery and stick
- Dues paying member of USWCA (A member of the USWCA for a minimum of 5 Years as individual and must be a member of a club that has been a member of the USWCA for a minimum of 3 years leading up to and including the application year)
- No prior USWCA international tour participants







USWCA 2026 SCOT TOUR SELECTION PROCESS

Personal Qualifications

- . Be able to commit to curling for 3 weeks straight
- Ability to pay for Tour Approximately ±\$10,000
- Curling Ability
- Stamina
- Ambassador for the USWCA



Applicant

- Obtain application from your USWCA Club Rep or from the USWCA Website
- Submit completed application to the USWCA by email to uswca.scottour2026@gmail.com
- Deadline to submit February 1, 2025



USWCA Scot Tour Committee

 USWCA sends application to Club Selection Committee - February 15, 2025



Club Selection Committee

- · Selects up to 2 applicants from club
- Selection committee ranks applications 1 & 2
- Club committee provides the recommendations to the USWCA Scot Tour Committee uswca.scottour2026@gmail.com
- Deadline to submit March 15, 2025



USWCA Scot Tour Committee

- Review applications
- Selection criteria
- Notify applicants OCTOBER 2025



20 Team Members

- + 2 Alternates Selected
- Central Region
- East Region
- West Region
- Wisconsin Region
- 2 Alternates



2026 USWCA Scot Tour Team Members

- Initial Deposit Due November 2025
- Final Deposit Due February 2026
- Attend the 2026 September USWCA Fall Meeting
- Travel to Scotland Late October / Early November

How do I Apply?

- Applications on USWCA Website or from USWCA Reps
- Submitted electronically back to the USWCA Scot Tour Committee Chair (<u>uswca.scottour2026@gmail.com</u>) by **February 1, 2025**

Club Selection Committee

- Committee to be formed in early 2025
- 3 members: We suggest board member, club rep, and former tour participant
 - Excluded Club rep if applying and current members of the Scot Tour Committee
- Unbiased committee members
- USWCA Scot Tour Chair to send application(s) to the Club Committees by February 15,
 2025
- Clubs are responsible for submitting up to 2 recommendations to the Scot Tour Committee ranking 1 & 2 using the forms provided before **March 15, 2025**
- Club is responsible to inform club applicants of their individual selection status

Selection Timeline

- Applications available by **November 1st**
- Applications due to Scot Tour Committee Chair by **Feb 1, 2025**
- Scot Tour Committee Chair to send application(s) to the Club Committees by February 15, 2025
- Club Selection applications due to Scot Tour Committee Chair by March 15, 2025
- Curlers notified in October 2025
- Initial deposit due in November 2025
- Final payment due in **February 2026**
- Must attend the USWCA Fall Meeting September 2026
- Departure to Scotland Late October / Early November 2026

What to expect in your email packet?

- Letter to the Reps
- Information and application for the curlers
- Flyer

* Club Selection Committee Recommendation Form will be emailed at a later date to the committee. *

Reps Role

- Announce and promote this event to all your USWCA women
- Post the flyer at your club
- Encourage your members to apply
- Help your club members with the application
- Be a member of your club's selection committee unless you are applying

2026 Scot Tour Committee Chair: Lisa Johnson

Assistant Chair: Donna Pearson

• <u>East:</u>

Lee Alexander
Shelley Dropkin
Jacquelyn Schmidt
Shannon Zwick

• <u>Central:</u>

Julie Denten
Susan Fleck
Mary Glowacki
Sandra Takata *

• West:

Diana Hoffman

Donna Pearson

Maureen Guay *

Linda Christensen

• Wisconsin:

Lisa Johnson *
Vietta Kampen
Dae Jean Jahnke

* (Non Voting)