

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST JANUARY 2021
FOR
THE NORTH EAST SCOTLAND CRICKET SCIO**

CHARITY NUMBER: SC048890

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The North East Scotland Cricket SCIO
Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st January 2021

Reference and administration details

Charity Name	The North East Scotland Cricket SCIO
Registered Charity Number	SC048890
Charity's Principal Address	c/o Bain Henry Reid 4 West Craibstone Street Bon-Accord Square Aberdeen AB11 6YL

Charity Trustees

M. Auld	Chairman
A. Win	Vice-Chairman
P. Gray (resigned during the year)	Secretary
A. Burnett	Treasurer
I. Stephen (resigned during the year)	
C. Watson	
N. Thangaraj	
T. Malik	
T. Khan	
B. Webb (resigned during the year)	

B. Lynas was co-opted as a trustee Feb 2021

Other officials

I. Reid (resigned during the year)	Administrator
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Charitable Status

The North East Scotland Cricket (NESC) SCIO have been a registered charity from 6th December 2018. The funds of the existing association were donated to the charity.

Governing Document

The organisation operates under a SCVO constitution.

Charitable Purpose

The purposes of the NESC SCIO, as stated in its constitution, are:

- the advancement of public participation in cricket within the North East of Scotland
- the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended, and only in relation to recreational or activities which are available to members of the public at large.

Trustee Remuneration and expenses

There were no transactions between the SCIO and the trustees or their interests during the year.

Statement on Reserves

Payments exceeded receipts this year producing a deficit of £770.

At the end of the year the SCIO held total unrestricted reserves of £2,728.

The SCIO will retain reserves which are commensurate with the activities & aims of the organisation. These will be reviewed annually to ensure that there are sufficient funds for the SCIO to continue to operate throughout the coming year with any funds over and above that level being available for strategic development opportunities.

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Trustees Annual Report 2020-2021
Activities and achievements

Introduction

The announcement in March 2020 that the country was to enter a period of 'lockdown' due to the SARS-COVID -19 pandemic impacted all aspects of the game over the 2020/2021 period. No formal cricket was played during the season. Initially, no trustees' meetings occurred. Gradually, during the year, the use of electronic technology enabled some virtual meetings to occur. The distribution of the virus across society changed during the year and Cricket Scotland advice following discussions with Sport Scotland and the Scottish Government did enable some local (no travel out of local zones) friendly, intra and then inter club matches to be played subject to strict quarantine and hygiene rules. Some socially distanced individual training was also permitted late in the season. The rules changed on a regular basis as new data about the spread of the virus became available.

Governance

The first AGM was held on 01 March 2020.

The first Trustees Meeting was held on 01 March 2020 following the AGM where the chair, vice-chair, secretary and treasurer were elected. Thereafter the trustees met occasionally as needed within the restrictions brought about by the pandemic.

The following Sub-Groups were maintained during the year but only some were lightly used to service the website, for example:

The convenors were as follows:

Disciplinary - Convenor: Vacant

Communications - Convenor: C. Watson

Development- Convenor: A. Win

Competitions - Convenor: B. Webb

Fundraising – Convenor: M. Auld

Each sub-group was expected to comprise more than two people.

I. Stephen stepped down as a director of Cricket Scotland Holdings Limited (CSHL) in January 2021. The trustees agreed that M. Auld should take up this role following the AGM on 7 March 2021 when he will step down as chair of the SCIO.

The action register was used throughout the year to enable trustees to follow through on required and completed actions.

Attendance at AGM with voting implications were promulgated and points plus bonus points for matches were clarified for the season.

Club Insurance Documents – All clubs have public liability insurance.

Child Protection policies are in place as per Cricket Scotland requirements and all clubs are required to adhere to their provisions.

A NESCC SCIO strategy document was presented to the members at the AGM and agreed.

Finance

A formal SCIO budget was produced and approved by the trustees.

A financial model for the next five years has been constructed to determine where income will come from. For example, the fee structure needs to be reviewed.

The board approved opening bank accounts with Santander. Due to the pandemic, Santander have been unable to complete the final stages of opening the accounts. They have stated that subject to changes in restrictions they will complete the process once staff return to their branches (post April 2021).

Communications

Relevant notified information was added to the website throughout the year.

The website is available to view at nescricket.org. There is an automatic link to a Twitter feed and there would also be an option to sign up for regular newsletters and updates.

The SCIO twitter account is in use, linked to the website for automatic updates.

The Social Media policy has been produced and updated during the year.

Regular electronic newsletters were produced for the members and posted on the Website.

Operational Delivery

No programmes of league, cup and sevens cricket were delivered in NES during 2020 season due to Covid-19. No adult indoor training occurred. Some junior training was undertaken indoors, albeit less than would normally be expected.

Two junior cricket fixtures were arranged between Aberdeenshire and Gordonians.

There was no Annual Dinner.

Cricket Scotland supported the creation and development of a new Scotland wide officials association in order to simplify governance processes, reduce costs, standardise procedures and increase professional standards throughout the game. The new organisation is called the Cricket Scotland Match Officials Association (CSMOA). ESCOA has been subsumed into it. The new organisation's relationship with the SCIO needs to be determined and will require modification to the SCIO's constitution in due course.

Liaison

Cricket Scotland (CS) undertook regular meetings (ZOOM), with the associations representing cricket across Scotland, during the year with the aim of developing the Covid-19 procedures necessary for a modest resumption of cricket across the country where it could occur in accordance with the legal restrictions set out by the Scottish Government and promulgated via Sport Scotland. Late in the season this permitted some of the larger clubs to hold, initially, some intra club games and then, later, some inter club friendly matches. Cricket Scotland have generously paid for each association to have access to the basic professional version of ZOOM so as to increase local discussions and coherence of approach to the maintenance of the game.

Zoom calls were held with all the clubs in December 2020 in order to bring everyone up to date with respect to the Covid -19 restrictions and to encourage discussion around options for cricket during 2021.

Development

Discussions continued with a Chance to Shine and included Cricket Scotland, Donald Russell (a local Vesty Group Company in Inverurie) and the Vesty Group. Anthony McKenna (CS local development Officer) developed a pilot programme of schools and street cricket in three areas across Aberdeenshire and the edge of Aberdeen City (Fraserburgh, Peterhead and Stoneywood/Dyce). This programme and the necessary funding have been agreed in principle but cannot commence until Covid-19 restrictions are relaxed. (It is noted that there are no costs involved for participating schools).

P. Gray represented the SCIO on the Cricket Management Group which manages all senior and junior national cup competitions.

P. Gray represented the SCIO on the newly formed CS working group to discuss the future relationship between CS and the regional organisations across Scotland

Fund-Raising

No programme of fundraising was possible during 2020/2021. This requires significant development during the coming year.

Future developments in 2021

The board will have to agree whether a full or partial season of league, sevens and cup competitions cricket is possible in 2021 and plan the fixture list accordingly. It may be that some grounds are not available for the full season. This decision will have to be made in conjunction with the other leagues and Associations as national competition fixtures need to be determined first.

Digital Scoring Software is being developed nationally by Cricket Scotland. This will be 'rolled out' over several seasons starting with the higher echelons of the game and then cascading down to local associations. The board has asked P Gray to act as our link with this programme.

The 2021 AGM agenda format was agreed by the board. One trustee is leaving the board at the AGM (three others having left during the year). One nomination has been received and one is expected.

Declaration

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

Martin Auld
Chair – NESC SCIO
24/02/2021

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Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31st January 2021

	Notes	Year to 31/01/2021 £	Period to 31/01/2020 £
Receipts			
Donations	1	-	2,698
Grants		-	-
Fundraising	2	442	382
Bank Interest		-	7
Receipts from Charitable Activities	3	-	5,454
Other Income	4	-	25
Total receipts		<u>442</u>	<u>8,566</u>
Payments			
Governance Costs	5	500	-
Charitable activities	6	712	5,068
Total payments		<u>1,212</u>	<u>5,068</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for year		<u><u>(770)</u></u>	<u><u>3,498</u></u>

All funds are unrestricted

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Statement of Balances as at 31st January 2021

	As at 31/01/2021 £	As at 31/01/2020 £
Bank and cash in hand		
Opening balances	3,498	-
Surplus/(Deficit) for year	<u>(770)</u>	<u>3,498</u>
Closing balances	<u>2,728</u>	<u>3,498</u>
Debtors		
None	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Creditors		
None	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

A Burnett
Trustee
Date: 28/02/2021

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Receipts and Payments Account Notes for the year ended 31st January 2021

	Note	Year to 31/01/2021 £	Period to 31/01/2020 £
Receipts			
<u>Donations:</u>	1		
Transfer from ACA		-	2,130
City/Shire development group		-	568
			<u>2,698</u>
<u>Grants</u>		-	-
<u>Fundraising</u>	2		
Annual Dinner		-	382
CLAN Quiz Night		442	-
			<u>382</u>
<u>Bank Interest</u>		-	7
<u>Receipts from Charitable Activities</u>	3		
Membership Fees		-	4,500
Ball Levy		-	274
Cricket Scotland recharges		-	680
Pitch Hire recharges		-	-
Player Transfer fees		-	-
			<u>5,454</u>
<u>Other Income</u>	4		
Appeal costs		-	25
TOTAL		<u>442</u>	<u>8,566</u>



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Receipts and Payments Account Notes for the year ended 31st January 2021

	Note	Year to 31/01/2021 £	Period to 31/01/2020 £
Payments			
<u>Governance Costs:</u>	5		
Admin Honoraria		500	-
<u>Charitable activities:</u>	6		
Cricket Scotland subscriptions		-	1,360
Cup finals/ Representative Games etc		-	1,528
Pitch Hire costs		-	-
Cost of meetings etc		205	735
Website costs		380	404
Insurance (PL & Trophy)		80	136
Trophy engraving & upkeep		-	600
Post & stationery etc		-	159
Other misc expenses		47	146
		<u>712</u>	<u>5,068</u>
TOTAL		<u><u>1,212</u></u>	<u><u>5,068</u></u>

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		Independent examiner's report on the accounts v2					
Report to the trustees/members of	Charity name	The North East Scotland Cricket SCIO					
	Registered charity number	SC048890					
On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year	to	Day	Month	Year
	1	February	2020		31	January	2021
Set out on pages	Pages 1-9						
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.						
Basis of independent examiner's statement	My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.						
Independent examiner's statement	In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page*]						
	<p>1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations <p>have not been met, or</p> <p>2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.</p>						
Signed:				Date:	18/6/2021		
Name:	IAN MCCALLUM						
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):							
Address:							

*Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply. If the words do apply, set out those matters which have come to your attention on the following page.