



The pandemic put a halt to the club's coaching and fundraising whilst introducing a new set of challenges for our lifesavers. The power and innovation of community lifesaving was clearly highlighted as club members stepped up to meet a shortfall in local lifeguard services.

Membership

An excellent renewal rate, sustained in part by the automatic online renewals, saw us start 2020 with around 700 members. Membership fees were set the same as the prior year as they covered the running costs of the club as well as incremental growth in reserves. In response to the pandemic, we reduced membership fees for the 2021 renewal in October to reflect the reduction in opportunity and ensure that financial constraints did not become a barrier to participation.

Youth Coaching

Our pool sessions started well with around 300 children receiving an hour of pool coaching a week. Our new year 1 group is well supported with new coaches, lifeguards and helpers stepping up. Sadly, the first lockdown put a complete stop to the pool sessions in March. Although some clubs resumed a level of youth coaching in the summer, we decided instead to focus on making the facility and equipment at the cove available to our members, particularly family groups.

Adult Coaching

We increased capacity to 2 hours of adult pool time over winter, sharing one session with our neighbours at Porthtowan SLSC. The collaboration with Porthtowan was great. However, participation fell off in December with some very quiet sessions. The committee discussed the need for these sessions to be sustainable and not subsidised by youth membership fees. Through the summer, Jamie and Paul worked hard to deliver adult sessions in a covid-safe manner, in addition to running coaching and lifeguard awards against a backdrop of constantly changing regulation.

Competitions

All competitions were suspended due to the pandemic.

Outreach

Our "surf cadet" outreach programme was suspended due to the pandemic.

Lifeguard Patrols – Community Lifesaving Project

The pandemic struck as we were recruiting for our Easter patrols. The committee initially agreed to suspend the patrols in line with guidance from our governing body and the RNLI. Devon and Cornwall police appealed to clubs to keep an eye on the beach during lockdown and our club stepped up. However, we found that, rather than dealing with behaviour contravening covid guidance, our volunteers were immediately having to handle the usual hazards of the beach; rips, tidal cut-offs and first-aid. This inspired club volunteers to innovate our own framework in contravention to the advice of the RNLI and our governing body to keep people safe on our local beaches and to prevent incidents from escalating to the point where hazards, including Covid-19 are MUCH harder to control. This was only possible due to the diverse range of experience of club members and an iterative and innovative approach.

When the RNLI informed us that we may not see professional patrols at our cove all year, it was encouraging to see how club lifeguards and other members of the community stepped up to cover the gaps. In part due to the example set by St Agnes SLSC, our governing body changed their position and as the May bank holiday approached, began actively encouraging other clubs to get involved. This resulted in an incredible, community delivered safety net for the thousands of people heading to enjoy the Cornish coast in the absence of the RNLI service.

Building

The committee met periodically in response to changing Covid-19 guidance to discuss what areas of the building could be kept open. Changing and catering facilities were closed all year with a focus on providing a patrol base. Equipment stores were kept open and washdown stations established so that equipment could be used hygienically.

Equipment

The jet ski was sold and funds ring-fenced for the purchase of an IRB.

Governance and Communications

Committee meetings survived the transition to Zoom and remained well supported. At several times, difficult decisions were made by email and on one occasion an online voting system was used. We didn't transition the club to an ICO but this remains a goal for 2021.

Finance

The club is financially healthy. Running costs are sustainable and growth in membership has enabled us to increase our non-ringfenced reserves to £40K. A covid-19 grant from Cornwall Council will support the club to reduce membership fees for 2021.

Events

All events were suspended due to the pandemic.

Notable Achievements

We're proud of the achievements of all of our members this year but there are a couple worth special mention:

- The work of our volunteer lifeguards during the pandemic.
- Jamie and Paul for maintaining our core adult training against a constantly changing backdrop of guidance and legislation.
- Everyone who worked together to keep the club-house open and returned their (sanitised) boards to the racks!

Expense: 2020

Statement Sheet	Invoice Number	Cheque no	Details	Date	Premises costs	Premises repairs	Premises improvts	Services/ rates	Membership	Insurances	Equipment purchases	Equipment repairs	Training/ pool hire	Clothing	Fundraising/ events	Competitions	Sundries/ consumables	Admin	Misc	Total
Period 1		100944	Telephone/Membership/Pool	23/01/2020				£57.84	£5,125.00	£1,171.15			£281.52							£6,835.51
			Green Network Energy	16/01/2020				£250.03												£250.03
		100945	SL5GB Membership	30/01/2020					£8,200.00		£53.52	£120.00	£1,121.25		£11.96				£9,506.73	
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Income: 2020

Statement Sheet	Date	Details	Paying-in Slip Number	Membership fees	Subs/training monies	Donations sponsorship	Grants	Fundraising	Misc	Clothing	Premises hire	Interest	Total
	07/01/2020	Stripe Payment in		£65.67									£65.67
	16/01/2020	Stripe Payment in		£96.00									£96.00
	22/01/2020	Stripe Payment in		£57.52									£57.52
	24/01/2020	Stripe Payment in		£90.99									£90.99
	30/01/2020	Stripe Payments in		£23.85									£23.85
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Period 2

Statement Sheet	Invoice Number	Cheque no	Details	Date	Premises costs	Premises repairs	Premises improvts	Services/ rates	Membership	Insurances	Equipment purchases	Equipment repairs	Training/ pool hire	Clothing	Fundraising/ events	Competitions	Sundries/ consumables	Admin	Misc	Total
Period 2		100946	SL5GB/Pool/Lev 1/ hawket refs	18/02/2020							£251.99		£2,072.69						£300.00	£2,624.68
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Statement Sheet	Date	Details	Paying-in Slip Number	Membership fees	Subs/training monies	Donations sponsorship	Grants	Fundraising	Misc	Clothing	Premises hire	Interest	Total
	03/02/2020	Wanna's Hawker							£300.00				£300.00
	04/02/2020	Stripe Payments in		£81.57									£81.57
	06/02/2020	Stripe Payments in		£65.67									£65.67
	27/02/2020	Stripe Payments in		£57.52									£57.52
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Cash in Bank		
Bank Opening Balance		£57,490.15
Income YTD		£55,621.86
Expenditure YTD		£47,736.93
Running Bank Balance		£65,375.08



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

ST AGNES SURF CLUB

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31ST DECEMBER 2020

**Charity no
(if any)**

1037741

Set out on pages

**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed. [The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [named body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 seeking 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention ~~(other than that disclosed below)~~ (*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

CL Morgan

Date:

17/11/21

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).