

ROSS-ON-WYE AND MONMOUTH UNIT 625 OF THE SEA CADET CORPS

England & Wales · Charity number 1075569

Details

Other names	ROSS-ON-WYE AND DISTRICT UNIT 625 OF THE SEA CADET CORPS, ROSS-ON-WYE AND DISTRICT UNIT OF THE SEA CADET CORPS, T.S. ROSS
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1999-05-19
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: The charitable purpose of the Unit (the Purpose) is to promote the development of young people in achieving their physical, intellectual and social potential as individuals and as responsible citizens by the provision of education and leisure time activities using a nautical theme and in accordance with the principles, ethos and practices of the Marine Society & Sea Cadets (MSSC).

Activities: Promotes self-confidence, sense of responsibility, self-discipline, self-reliance and teamwork skills through sport and education based on Royal Naval traditions.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** ROSS-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE
- Herefordshire
- Monmouthshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£12,593	£11,698	-	-
2024-03-31	£5,829	£10,639	-	-
2023-03-31	£14,277	£20,677	-	-
2022-03-31	£33,519	£35,773	-	-
2021-03-31	£34,110	£28,837	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alison Almond		2024-10-22
Arthur Green		2024-10-18
Brian Lampert		2025-09-11
Erica MELTON		2024-04-22
Farai MANCAMA		2024-05-13
Mark Melton		2024-10-15
ROSS LLOYD BENNETT		2024-07-23

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Accounts

Chairman's Report

I have been in post for a year now having taken over the role of Chairman in October last year, and it has been a 12-month period filled with progress and transformation, as well as evolution. Of note our Commanding Officer was selected and promoted to Commissioned rank, and we have also refreshed the committee, saying goodbye to some longstanding members and introducing new ones. It is worth of special mention that Richard Norris has made a great impact since joining the committee, undertaking many of the small but crucial tasks that we often find hard to prioritise; and of course, Simeon Cole continues to provide support and specialist machinery to help both maintain and improve the Unit.

The period has, of course, been impacted by covid-19 restrictions, but that has not stopped the instructional staff from providing a first rate experience to the cadets both face-to-face when permissible and also virtually when necessary. The unit has benefited from various covid-related grants that have shored up our finances and are allowing us to plan ambitiously for the future.

The Unit has, in my opinion, struggled with having the critical mass of instructional staff needed to deliver the best experience to the cadets but also provide balance to instructors ensuring they are not overburdened and over-stretched. This year has seen a phenomenal recruitment effort with a significant number of new staff joining the unit, both in 'dark blue' roles, and latterly 'green' roles. This has been a remarkable achievement and speaks volumes in the sense that instructors want to come and join the Ross and Monmouth unit. The atmosphere is positive, proactive, open and welcoming to new instructors and new ideas which is a real shift from where we were 5 years ago.

Another major focus of the year has been the activities associated with the establishment of a Marine Cadets detachment as part of the Unit. Offering the Marine Cadet experience will broaden our offering meaning we can appeal to impact the lives of more children in our catchment area. It also has the benefit of diversifying the unit and enriching the whole training environment for cadets whether they are nominally dark blue or green in uniform. Getting started along the path to a Marine Cadet detachment has involved a lot of effort, principally from the CO, in putting together a proposal for the detachment as well as recruiting the appropriate staff, who are few and far between, to make it happen. I am pleased to say that after a meeting with the Company Commander for our region earlier in the month I think we are very close to being in a position to launch our Marine Cadet detachment.

Related to the above has been the work, led by the Treasurer, to gain planning permission for an additional classroom and office to become the specific real estate of our new Marine Cadets. Planning Permission has in effect been granted subject to the discharge of 2 conditions which we have satisfied and Herefordshire Council have confirmed they are content with - it is just a case of waiting for the paperwork to catch up now. Such an endeavour is not cheap, and so we are actively engaging with an organisation to request funds in the form of a grant to enable us to install the new facility as soon as practicable. The good news is that our existing real estate, with some cosmetic alterations is sufficient to start the Marine Cadet detachment ahead of the new classroom being completed.

As part of the continuous improvement at the unit there has been further rationalisation of equipment, a process still ongoing, as we look to make maximum use of space and streamline the water-based offerings to the cadets.

Finally I would like to thank both our long-standing instructional staff and those who have recently joined us on our journey. Without your considerable time and effort commitment above and beyond your own careers, interests and families, the Unit could not operate, and we would not be in a position to enhance the life experiences and life choices of the youth in our catchments. The next 12 months will no doubt be another exponentially progressive period further cementing the unit's foundations both financially and operationally.

THE SEA CADETS

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT* FOR THE UNIT

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT for year ended 31 March 2021

Form
SCC A3 (R&P)
Apr-19

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Unit Name: Ross on Wye and Monmouth

Charity No: 1075569

Fund-name/purpose (if not held for the Unit's general purposes):-

[Redacted]

THIS YEAR
£

LAST YEAR
£

Notes

REVENUE RECEIPTS –

ANNUAL FUND/DIRECT GRANT		£0.00	£0.00
SCAVA (Sea Cadet Victualling Allowance)		£0.00	£1,266.21
OTHER GRANTS		£26,840.38	£8,448.94
CADET CONTRIBUTIONS		£1,370.00	£1,572.00
OTHER DONATIONS / LEGACIES		£0.00	£0.00
FUNDRAISING & SPECIAL EVENTS PROCEEDS		£519.25	£4,876.01

OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES:

COMPETITION RECEIPTS		£0.00	£0.00
COURSE FEES		£187.00	£319.50
SUNDRY SALES RECEIPTS		0	£0.00
BANK DEPOSIT INTEREST		£0.00	£0.00
PROPERTY RENTS (includes any occasional)		£0.00	£0.00
OTHER REVENUE RECEIPTS		£199.78	£990.45
UNIFORM & TRAVEL		£199.78	£990.45

TOTAL REVENUE RECEIPTS

A

£29,116.41 £17,473.11

NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS –

PROCEEDS FROM SALES OF OTHER FIXED	INCURANCE CLAIMS	£4,993.50	£0.00
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TOTAL NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS

B

£4,993.50 £0.00

(*Attach that Fund's similar Account of Receipts as page AC1A, and so on)

TOTAL RECEIPTS = A + B

C

£34,109.91 £17,473.11

Reconciliation:-

NET CHANGE FOR YEAR IN CASH/BANK BALANCE:-

- REVENUE ITEMS (= A – D from page AC2)	G	£279.29	£17,473.11
- NON-REVENUE ITEMS (= B – E from page AC2)	H	£4,993.50	£0.00
- COMBINED (=G+H)		£5,272.79	£17,473.11
CASH/BANK BALANCE FROM LAST YEAR-END		£13,189.73	£4,256.45
CASH/BANK BALANCE AT THIS YEAR-END	2021	£18,462.52	£13,189.73

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**THIS
YEAR
£**

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REVENUE PAYMENTS –

DIRECT CHARITABLE ACTIVITY COSTS:

FUNDRAISING & SPECIAL EVENTS COSTS	£0.00	£0.00
COMPETITION COSTS	£0.00	£0.00
FUEL & TRAVEL COSTS	£14.98	£672.19
CATERING COSTS	£0.00	£0.00
TRAINING COURSES COSTS	£3,078.91	£700.63
ARTICLES PURCHASED FOR RESALE	UNIFORM	£137.31
		£0.00

OVERHEAD COSTS FOR:

RENT / COUNCIL TAX	£0.00	£1,000.00
HEAT, LIGHT & WATER	£791.10	£1,177.18
TELEPHONE & BROADBAND	£264.54	£333.63
OFFICE SUPPLIES, POSTAGE & PRINTING	£33.49	£59.09

MAINTENANCE COSTS FOR:

BUILDINGS & ESTATE	£11,473.61	£1,208.86
BOATS	£0.00	£182.00
VEHICLES	£8,095.64	£395.49
OTHER MISC EQUIPMENT	£699.72	£854.79
INSURANCE COSTS	£1,209.32	£1,092.00
BANK INTEREST & CHARGES	Loan repayment	£3,038.50
		£2,000.00

CHARITY GOVERNANCE COSTS:

FOR ACCOUNTS/AUDIT OR INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION	£0.00	£0.00
FOR OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES	£0.00	£0.00
FOR LEGAL ADVICE (for constitution or trustees)	£0.00	£0.00
OTHER REVENUE COSTS	£0.00	£0.00
TOTAL REVENUE PAYMENTS	D	£28,837.12
		£9,675.86

NON-REVENUE PAYMENTS –

ASSETS	£0.00	£0.00
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TOTAL NON-REVENUE PAYMENTS	E	£0.00	£0.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS (=D+E)	F	£28,837.12	£9,675.86

(*Attach that Fund's similar Account of Payments as page AC2A, and so on)

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Charity No: 1075569

In E&W: STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

(English/Welsh Units: No valuations/costs or accounts notes required)

ASSETS:

Name of Fund	THIS YEAR £	LAST YEAR £
CASH/BANK BALANCE(S) AT YEAR-END (from page AC1)	£16,556.95	£10,669.71
BANK DEPOSITS (if any) not included above	£1,905.57	£2,599.05
LOANS RECOVERABLE		
OTHER DEBTS (total recoverable – exclude any		
*STOCKS OF ITEMS FOR RESALE (total cost)*STOCKS		
INVESTMENTS (present value of securities		
INVESTMENTS (ditto – belonging to a Restricted Fund, if		
*OTHER FIXED ASSETS:		
- LAND & BUILDINGS	£185,000.00	
- BOATS	£20,000.00	
- VEHICLES	£12,000.00	
- COMPUTERS & OTHER EQUIPMENT	£13,100.00	
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*For all these items (including any gifts at estimated value when given) state their total present value here if lower than as above

LIABILITIES

LOANS REPAYABLE	£4,000.00	£7,000.00
OTHER CREDITORS (total payable – exclude any "accruals")		
CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (estimated total amount)		

[Scottish] ACCOUNTS NOTES* (if not within Annual Report)

For any separate Receipts & Payments Account included in this Statement of Account: the nature and purpose of each Fund accounted for and the legal restrictions on its use

Total number and amount of any grants paid to (i) individuals and (ii) institutions, analysed by type of activity or project

Amount of trustee remuneration (inc. to connected persons) paid and the legal authority for it

Amount of any trustee expenses reimbursed and for how many trustees

Amount and nature of any other trustee-transactions (including with connected persons, stating the relationship) - together with any amount owing at the year-end (say if none)

Any further information that 'may reasonably assist' a reader's

(*Show details on an extra attached (numbered) page if necessary)

	[Amounts]	Particulars
Give page no(s). - or say if none	[]	
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(or say if none)	[]	Authority:
(or say if none)	[]	For how many:
	[]	Nature:
	[]	
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..... Unit Treasurer
 Unit Chairman

Signed as authorised by the Unit's Management Committee - Date: []

Note: The statutory audit or independent examination report on this Statement of Account must be attached.

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Unit address (or address for correspondence):-

House name:	Ross-on-Wye and Monmouth Sea Cadet Unit
Street and No:	Homs Road
Area or Estate	
Town/City:	Ross-on-Wye
County	Herefordshire
Post Code:	HR9 7DE

Unit Management Team members (the 'charity trustees') at date of signing Report:-

H CULLEN-JONES	A BUMPSTEAD	
J WILLIAMS	R A NORRIS	
S COLE		
M McKENNA		

Names of any other persons who were charity trustees of the Unit at any time in the financial year:-

Name of any person who is now (or was, in the financial year) a 'trustee for the charity' - i.e., holding or in possession of any assets belonging to the Unit (includes custodians, nominees &c) *[not: Scotland]*:-

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Nature and date of the Unit's constitution (governing document):- Governed by **Sea Cadet Standard Constitution**

The method(s) adopted for recruiting new trustees, and how trustees are elected or otherwise appointed (and by whom) in accordance with the Unit's constitution, are as follows:-

Unit Management Team (UMT) members are elected annually at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). UMT members are elected from the membership of the Sea Cadet Unit which is drawn loosely as being those with an interest in the unit. In the event of a vacancy arising during the year (known as a casual vacancy), The UMT have the power to appoint a new UMT member. The UMT member appointed will serve until the date of the next AGM, after which the post will be filled by election.

The Unit's charitable purpose(s) as set out in its constitution is:-
 To promote the development of young people in achieving their physical, intellectual and social potential as individuals and as responsible citizens by the provision of education and leisure time activities using a nautical theme and in accordance with the principles, ethos and practices of the Marine Society & Sea Cadets (MSSC).

The Unit's main activities and achievements in the financial year were:-
 The unit's activities were severely curtailed by Covid but the utilisation of Zoom allowed us to maintain interest throughout the period when parading was not permitted. Increased collaboration with other units maintained a competitive but co-operative spirit. The initiative to provide activity bags was taken up by other units and was highly successful. Recruitment continued and the subscriptions level maintained. Plans for an additional classroom and the possible introduction of an RM troop were progressed.

Public Benefit
 The UMT continue to give due regard to the public benefit provided by the Unit in relation to the charitable purpose of the Sea Cadet movement as set out in the activities and achievements as outlined above. The aim is to promote the development of young people in achieving their physical, intellectual and social potential as individuals and responsible citizens in a safe environment. In order to achieve this the Unit takes young people from all backgrounds, including where possible those with disabilities and develops their skills and abilities by:

- Regular and structured activities with a nautical theme.
- Allowing young people to take part in activities connected with the wider Sea Cadet movement such as waterborne activities, events and competitions at district, area and national levels.
- Availability of formal educational achievements whilst taking courses to earn badges and promotions

Contributions are kept low in order to ensure all those who wish to take part in the activities of the Unit may do so.



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

On accounts for the year
ended Charity no

Set out on pages

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities 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 matter has come to my attention ~~(other than that disclosed below *)~~

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
 have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn 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: Date:

Name:

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Address: