



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
From	01 April 2021	To	31 March 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Kendal Bridge Club
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1151223
Charity's principal address	Dowkers Lane
	Kendal
	Cumbria
	Postcode LA9 4DN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Bill Thomson	Chairman		
2	Tim Harrison	Secretary		
3	Robert Boyd	Treasurer		
4	Alan Anderson			
5	Richard Brazier			
6	Peter Jeffreys		01/04/2021 – 06/09/2021	
7	Chris Wilkinson			
8	Andrew Peill		From 06/09/2021	
9	Janice Mitchell		From 06/09/2021	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Constitution

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

**Elected at the Annual General Meeting of members.
Appointed by Trustees if vacancies arise during the year.**

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The Trustees consider that there are no significant risks facing the Charity at this time.

Policies have been reviewed.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The advancement of amateur sport by promoting the game of Bridge for the benefit of the residents of Kendal and the surrounding area.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The provision of facilities for the learning, teaching and playing of Bridge for the benefit of the residents of Kendal and the surrounding area.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

- 1. The advancement of amateur sport by promoting the game of Bridge for the benefit of the residents of Kendal and the surrounding area.**
- 2. The provision of facilities for the learning, teaching and playing of Bridge for the benefit of the residents of Kendal and the surrounding area.**

We do not make grants.

Monies are held in two bank accounts to minimise default risks.

All the work has been carried out by volunteers without whom the Charity could not function.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

In planning our activities for the year, we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our Trustees meetings. The main emphasis is on providing facilities to play bridge on four sessions per week. On-line bridge for members has been put in place to allow our members to play from home in members-only events. Our one hundred and seventy members are of all abilities and cover a wide age range.

Because of our on-line competitions a number of ex-members who have left the area rejoined to become involved again. Members of other clubs in the area joined us to take advantage of our set-up. Some members (about 1/3) did not take part in the on-line events, and although their return to the tables, when Face-to-Face bridge became available again, has been supported and encouraged, attendance is low.

We are still running on-line sessions, since some members are unwilling to return to F2F, or have become comfortable playing on-line.

Face-to-Face matches with other clubs will be restarted when it becomes possible.

Bridge teaching has been resumed with 2 classes now being run. One of them will be moving on to the Tuesday session.

Many members have done so much work in running the on-line system and F2F club events very efficiently. Dedication and teamwork is well demonstrated by a large number of members delivering a slick, impressive system for the club.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Our reserves policy requires us to hold a reserve of £10,000 to meet ongoing Club requirements, with the rest held to meet our obligations to maintain our new extension of the premises. Receipts are held in two bank accounts to minimise default risks.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Collection of annual membership subscriptions was restored in spring 2022 after we began to use our premises for face-to-face bridge. Individual 'table money' was charged for each face-to-face and online session provided by the Club.

The main items of expenditure were fees to the English Bridge Union and to the providers of online Bridge facilities that the Club has used, Bridge Base Online and RealBridge.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Bill Thomson	
Full name(s)	William Barclay Thomson	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairman	
Date	11/05/2022	