

SPORT NEWCASTLE

England & Wales - Charity number 1153011

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2013-07-23

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Activities

Objects: 3.1.TO PROMOTE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF NORTH EAST ENGLAND THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NEED OF SUCH FACILITIES BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH,AGE,INFIRMITY OR DISABLEMENT,FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES OR FOR THE PUBLIC AT LARGE IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF LIFE OF SAID INHABITANTS;AND3.2.TO ADVANCE AND FURTHER THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN RELATION TO PHYSICAL FITNESS,NUTRITION,ACTIVE RECREATION AND LIFESTYLE.

Activities: To support the development of sport in the North East England through the award of grants to clubs and individuals with particular emphasis on club coach training and development.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Durham
- Gateshead
- Newcastle Upon Tyne City
- North Tyneside
- Northumberland
- South Tyneside
- Sunderland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£37,201	£52,628	-	-
2024-03-31	£23,846	£16,200	-	-
2023-03-31	£12,827	£0	-	-
2022-03-31	£9,729	£0	-	-
2021-03-31	£0	£1,018	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Amy Victoria Kirsopp		2024-07-30
DAVID KINGSLEY HYLAND OBE		2013-07-08
David Appleby		2013-07-08
Linda Dawn Greenwood		2020-06-01
MATTHEW JOHN SQUIRES		2013-07-08
Mike Booth		2014-05-15
ROGER TAMES		2013-09-13
SIMON MARK RUSHWORTH		2015-11-22

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Secretary: Kingsley Hyland OBE

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A common theme throughout this report is the increasing need to grow our income streams to meet the ever rising demand for grant support. We are now seeing increasing numbers of high quality applications for grants. The increased support from sponsors which complements the Annual Awards Dinner and the Golf Day in terms of fundraising is vital in enabling us to support the most worthy applicants but as Mike Booth states in his Awards Committee Report we would always like to do more. Further details of the awards we have been able to make are contained in Mike's report.

We must not forget that we are not just about raising funds to enable us to make grants. One of the highlights of the last year was the Unsung Heroes of Sport event which was a heartwarming recognition of a wide range of sports volunteers across the region.

We finally managed to 'go live' with the new and greatly improved Sport Newcastle website driven primarily by Matthew Squires and Simon Rushworth. This has gone some way to smoothing the grant application process whilst contributing to the Charity's raised profile. A new challenge will be to identify ways in which we harness the opportunities presented by artificial intelligence to enhance our grant application process. As Matthew constantly reminds us, the new website has also significantly increased the Charity's social media 'presence'.

Finally, our grateful thanks and admiration go to all those trustees, officers, patrons, vice-presidents, volunteers, sponsors, supporters and the North East sporting community for the part that they have played in another positive year for Sport Newcastle.

This Report is in five parts:

1. **President's Report** – in his second report since taking on the role the President has summarised the work of the Charity and provided useful background information for readers not yet familiar with Sport Newcastle.
2. **Fundraising Report** – a summary of the major income raising projects run by Sport Newcastle in the financial year ended 31 March 2025 along with details of the support provided by sponsors.

3. **Awards Report** – a summary of the work undertaken and financial grants made by Sport Newcastle in the financial year ended 31 March 2025.
4. **Annual Accounts** – the Annual Accounts of both the Sport Newcastle Charity and the Sport Newcastle unincorporated association for the financial year ended 31 March 2025.
5. **Trustees' Overview**

Kingsley Hyland - Secretary, Sport Newcastle.



The winning team at the 2024 Sport Newcastle Golf Day, the Unite Group, pictured with the George Bayley Trophy.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2024/25

For almost six decades Sport Newcastle has continued as a grassroots voluntary organization, recognized as such by the Charity Commission, Sport England and throughout the North East sporting community.

The core mission remains to provide grant support to regional athletes, coaches, clubs, community groups and disabled athletes to help them fulfil their sporting potential. Problems faced by disadvantaged youngsters in society and the potential role sport plays as a catalyst to improve mental and physical well-being are given a high priority by the Charity.

An exponential increase in the demand for financial support is highlighted by Vice Chair Mike Booth in his Awards report. No longer Newcastle centric, Sport Newcastle grants and awards now cover a geographic area including North Durham, Tyne and Wear and South Northumberland. It is now critical that we develop another income stream to meet the increasing widening demand. All money raised continues to be fully directed to the awarding of grants.



Gary Wilson with the Wilkinson Sword presented by Sport Newcastle President Alan Younger.

Mike again organised the Annual Fundraising Golf Day at Ponteland in June 2024, an epic day as always enjoyed by all competitors and observers alike. It continues to raise money as one of our two main fundraising events. Again it represents a tremendous personal undertaking on Mike's part.

Matthew Squires oversees all fundraising and sponsorship activity with his usual tenacity and compassion. All our major sponsors, supported by a broad range of philanthropic individuals and organisations, are highlighted in Matthew's report. We continue to be grateful for this traditional second stream of income to underpin all our other fund-raising efforts.

Kingsley Hyland OBE, as Hon.Secretary, provides first class administrative skills, legal expertise and drive to the core mission. His vast sporting knowledge is second to none.

Hon.Treasurer David Appleby’s financial advice continues to be invaluable. We remain grateful to him and Auditor Jason Smith for their time and support to sustain our financial security and produce the Annual Accounts. David has now completed over three decades of outstanding service – thank you.

Roger Tames, assisted by Ian Payne and Simon O’Rourke, hosted the Annual Dinner and Awards Evening with their usual professionalism. Roger continues to lead the communications team and chairs a high-calibre Board of Trustees charged with determining the direction of the Charity and overseeing its governance.

Matthew Squires, together with core members, will this year undertake a strategic review of Sport Newcastle assessing its future role and the personnel to needed to deliver it. We all acknowledge the need for new volunteers to support future initiatives and demands on the Charity. I remain proud to be associated with such a fine organisation and the work it does to promote sport for all.

Alan Younger – President, Sport Newcastle



Fortunately the Sport Newcastle Annual Golf Day was blessed with good weather.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE REPORT

The 2024 Sport Newcastle Annual Golf Day took place in early July at Ponteland Golf Club which proved popular with competitors who praised the excellent condition of the course and the friendliness and efficiency of the staff.

This event, organised as ever by Mike Booth and supported by the Fundraising Committee, was a sell-out success and helped raise over £5,000 for the Charity. The 2025 Golf Day is scheduled to take place on July 3rd at Ponteland Golf Club.

The Sport Newcastle Annual Awards Dinner was held in November 2024 at Newcastle Civic Centre. The event recognised those clubs and individuals who have made a significant contribution to North East sport over a number of years. The highlight of the evening was the Wilkinson Sword award for Lifetime Achievement that was presented to Gary Wilson for his contribution to snooker while Olympian Kieran Reilly picked up the Sporting Success of the Year for the second year running to reflect his success in securing a silver medal at the Paris Olympics. There was also an outstanding achievement award presented to Paralympian Anna Nicholson to reflect her Olympic success. The event was hosted by Roger Tames, Simon O'Rourke and Ian Payne and raised over £5,000. The Sport Newcastle Awards Dinner will return to the Newcastle Civic Centre in 2025 on the 13th November.

We have strengthened our existing relationships with Tier One Capital and SOS Group and welcomed new partnerships with local businesses including GLL, Ward Hadaway, Central Employment, JC Events and Graphic Packaging International. We continue to offer local businesses a great opportunity to support grassroots sport across the North East.

We have also benefitted from the personal generosity of a number of individuals and organisations who made private donations and organised fundraising challenges in aid of Sport Newcastle. These donations included £2,500 from Peter Mclane.

A new website has been launched to ensure existing and potential supporters of Sport Newcastle are aware of the work we are doing to support North-East Sport and to keep abreast of the progress of our grant award recipients.

We will be focusing our future efforts on developing relationships with local and national charitable trusts and grant making bodies with a focus on grassroots sport, mental health and youth as potential areas of funding we are yet to maximise.

Thank you to all the Fundraising Committee members for the continued support, time and effort during the year.

Matthew Squires – Chair, Fundraising Committee

AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT

In many respects this has been a very good year: a successful Unsung Heroes event, an outstanding Awards Evening and more money awarded as grants than for a long time. On the other hand, the unprecedented demand for grants, amounting to slightly more than double what we could afford, has meant that several worthy applications have had to be rejected.

From 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025 the Awards Committee met five times, awarding the following grants:

- £7,120 to 8 clubs/organisations (inc. £1,970 specifically for coaching),
- £15,500 to 50 individuals in grants ranging from £250 to £1,000,
- £2,500 in total to our 10 Rising Stars,
- £3,500 in total to our 3 Platinum Award winners.

This makes a total of £28,620 awarded as grants in one form or other, which is an increase of just less than £10,000 on last year's total (£18,640). This increase was largely funded from the additional income received from Redgate Motors at the end of the last financial year.

Due to the continued support of Tier One Capital and S.O.S. Group, along with individual donations and the proceeds from the Annual Golf Day and the Annual Awards Dinner we have managed to have an impact on more individuals and clubs than in recent times.

This year there was an almost even 'split' between male and female grant recipients (24 female, 26 male). They represented 23 different sports, with 'Roller Derby', 'Mua Thai' and 'Scootering' appearing for the first time on our 'list'.

We followed up last year's grant to help the establishment of the North East Disability Forum by providing grants to: Northern Allstars Goalball, Inclusion Sports Foundation and an individual grant to a severely disabled young man to support his time at Newcastle College to follow a sports coaching course.

We regularly receive reports from parents, and sometimes the young people themselves, about how important these grants are to them. Not only does it allow them to travel to competitions, or buy expensive kit, a grant is also an affirmation that a well established and respected organisation has recognised their hard work and is backing them as an individual to succeed.

The Unsung Heroes event in June saw 11 winners (6 male and 5 female) presented with their awards at the Newcastle Falcons Rugby Ground, Kingston Park. They represented eight different sports and a span of 55+ years of ages. Roger Tames did a marvellous job in describing the wide-ranging and invaluable jobs that these volunteers performed to keep their clubs running. They were well supported by family and friends and invited guests at what was, at times, an emotional occasion.



Elysia Boddy with the Jack Hixon award interviewed by Awards Dinner host Simon O'Rourke.

The Annual Awards Dinner continues to get bigger and better. It is a momentous occasion for the Rising Stars to receive their trophies and first grant of £250. This year there was an equal gender split among the 10 winners: Eli Adams (high jump), Evelyn Hallisey (swimming), Patrick Hogg (rugby union), Louisa Hamilton (golf), Jack Helm (gymnastics), Etienne Maughan (hurdles), Francis Ogbolu (basketball), Sadie Parker (athletics), Duncan Rutherford (squash), and Fleur Wilson (kickboxing).

There was a surprise for badminton player, Lucy Dodd, who was presented as our third Platinum Award recipient joining Toby Aberdeen and Anya Hassan. We've supported all three of these young adults since the early years of their sporting careers. Each one has worked extremely hard to make tremendous progress in their chosen sport, and all three are brilliant examples of what can be achieved with some help from Sport Newcastle.

Awards were also presented to the two most promising young footballers in the region. As decided last year the Jack Hixon Award is now presented to the most promising female player, which this year was Elysia Boddy and the 'Wor Jackie' Trophy went to Aidan Harris, the stand out young male footballer. Both play for Newcastle United teams.

Two special awards were made this year - to 'Wor Flags' and Anna Nicholson. 'Wor Flags' were recognised for their 'Outstanding Contribution' to the local sporting community and Anna for her 'Outstanding Achievement' in winning a bronze medal in the F35 shot putt at the Paris Paralympics. Anna was one of very few North East successful Olympians.

Our major awards went to:

- Lewis Miley – (Football) Young Sporting Achievement of the Year.
- Bob Aynsley (Squash) – Coach of the Year.
- Gateshead Football Club – Team of the Year (for winning the F.A. Trophy at Wembley).
- Gary Wilson (Snooker) – Wilkinson Sword - Lifetime Achievement Award.
- Kieran Reilly (BMX) – Sporting Achievement of the Year – the first person to win this award two years in succession (for winning a silver medal at the Paris Olympics).

This year the Awards Committee members have been faced with several difficult decisions as to who should receive grants. It is testament to the committee's professionalism that each application is discussed thoroughly, and often debated at length. We look forward to increased revenue in the coming months to make the job of the Awards Committee members less taxing!

Mike Booth – Chair, Awards Committee



Olympic Silver Medal winner Kieran Reilly with award for Sporting Achievement of the Year for the second year Running.

TRUSTEES' OVERVIEW

The end of another financial year finds the Sport Newcastle Charity at something of a crossroads. As detailed elsewhere in this report we can look back on a year of significant successes. Grant awards to young sports people and community clubs reached an all time high, we hosted highly successful events including the Annual Golf Day, Awards Dinner and Unsung Heroes of Sport Presentation evening. In addition we finally went live with a vastly improved website. The fact that we have achieved this whilst reducing our running costs to almost zero reflects great credit on our volunteers.

At the same time, however, we have become victims of these same successes in that they have significantly raised the profile of the Charity. The slickness and professionalism of the Annual Dinner have perhaps created a perception that the Charity is awash with funds available to give out in grants. As a result we now receive a vastly increased number of grant applications.

The immediate focus for the trustees must therefore be on how we are to manage the challenge of growing our income streams to keep pace with the growing number of requests for grant support without being able to rely on individual donations and bequests that have proved so invaluable in the past. Matthew Squires, as Chairman of Fundraising, has started to address this by increasing the support we receive from sponsors. He has also recognised the need for the trustees and key committee members to reassess our future planning and strategy so as to better equip the Charity to meet these challenges.

Another product of the raised profile of the Charity is the increased burden it has placed on some key individuals notably our two main committee Chairs and Hon.Treasurer. An essential part of any future planning and strategy review will be finding innovative ways of sharing these burdens without compromising the quality of the work that these individuals voluntarily provide

The fact that the major challenges we face are the direct result of our past success should not make us despondent but should enthuse us all to find ways of ensuring that we are able to maintain the Charity's upward trajectory going forward.

Roger Tames - Chairman of Trustees



Sport Newcastle Rising Stars of 2024. Back row L-R: Duncan Rutherford; Aidan Harris; Patrick Hogg. Middle Row: Evelyn Hallissey; Louisa Hamilton; Francis Ogbolu; Fleur Wilson. Front: Sadie Parker; Etienne Maughan; Elysia Boddy; Eli Adams; Eli Adams; Jack Helm.

DIARY DATES 2025

7 th April 2025	Fundraising Committee
4 th May 2025	Awards Committee
4 th July 2025	Annual Golf Day – Ponteland Golf Club
28 th July 2024	Fundraising Committee
1 st September 2024	Awards Committee - <i>postponed</i>
13 th October 2024	Fundraising Committee
13 th November 2024	Annual Awards Dinner – Newcastle Civic Centre
24 th November 2024	Awards Committee

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ANNUAL ACCOUNTS & BALANCE SHEET

2024-2025

SPORT NEWCASTLE NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 2024-25

General

As reported in the 2023-24 finance statement it was agreed that the Sport Newcastle Charity Account would be utilised for the financial operation of the Charity. The General Account is utilised solely as a holding account with a notional balance of £2,000 being held.

At the end of the 2024-2025 financial year on 31st March there was a total of £16,755 in the two accounts. The general account held £2,000 and the Charity account £14,755.

The significant positive from the year is that we made grants totalling £29,524 in the form of Sports Scholarships, Grants, Club Sponsorship and Promotion from the accounts, this represents an almost £4,600 or 18% increase on the previous year.

As previously reported at the close of business on 31st March we had £2,000 in the Community Account, with zero known commitments, debtors and liabilities which leaves us a useable balance of £2,000. In the Charity Account we had a balance of £14,755. We had known commitments of £3,000 in respect of the Sports Scholar's initiative and a £1,500 debtor for the Annual Dinner. This gives us a total useable resource across the two accounts of £15,255 for 2024-25 which represents a reduction of £11,497 on the previous financial year.

Corporate Support

Sport Newcastle are fortunate to continue to be supported by long term partners SOS and Tier One Capital who have provided invaluable financial support over a number of years sponsoring the Annual Dinner and Golf Day.

Annual Dinner

The 2024-25 Dinner accounts illustrate a surplus of £6,583. This figure will be supplemented by the receipt of the £1,500 debtor recorded on the balance sheet.

Golf Day

The accounts show that the Golf Day organised by Mike Booth and the Special Events team returned an excellent in-year profit of £3,900.

Sports Scholars

At the close of the financial year 2024-25 we were directly supporting three scholars at a total cost of £3,500. The awards are administered through the Awards Committee on receipt of satisfactory progress reports and are reviewed quarterly at the committee meetings.

Expenditure

Grants and Financial Assistance

The expenditure within this category primarily includes applications for support from athletes and clubs which are considered by our Trustees. Recipient sports in the year included athletics, boxing, golf, rugby, ice skating, badminton, swimming, triathlon, basketball, taekwondo, gymnastics, judo, rugby, karate, netball, fencing, shooting, and rowing. Excluding the grants to Scholars we made grants totalling £25,370.

Office Expenses

We have continued to drive down the overhead costs associated with the operation of the charity. In 2024-25 we spent a total of £2,570 which was in relation to the final costs of the website development and website domain hosting. Provision for the development costs were incorporated onto the 2023-24 balance sheet.

Unsung Heroes

We held a presentation evening recognising the unsung heroes of sport in the region. This was delivered at a notional cost of £19 following the receipt of income which largely offset costs.

Overview

The performance of Sport Newcastle in 2024-25 has, once again, been excellent, delivering almost £30,000 in support to clubs and athletes across the North-East operating with the absolute minimum of overhead costs ensuring that athletes and clubs can be supported as extensively as possible.

Despite our success in supporting the development of sport across the Northeast the 2024-25 accounts clearly demonstrate that our resources have become extremely stretched. We continue to deliver successful events to supplement our financial resources however we have reached a stage where our ability to continue to support sport in the region at the levels we have previously is no longer a viable proposition. Our capacity to make significant financial contributions to clubs and athletes will need to be curtailed until we can generate some additional resources. In previous years we have benefitted from significant donations from individuals and organisations. These include Sir John Hall, Redgate Motors and Ponteland Golf Club. Unfortunately, we did not benefit from donations of this scale in 2024-25. This has contributed to our current financial position. With the Golf Day being held in the Summer of 2025 and the Annual Dinner in late Autumn it is hoped that we will be able to increase our reserves to recommence the wider award of grants to clubs and athletes.

David Appleby, Sport Newcastle Treasurer

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

<u>Income</u>	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
Donations		6,187		14,588
Dinner net proceeds		6,583		-12,313
Golf Day net proceeds		3,897		3,415
Income Transfer from General Account		0		18,156
		<u>£16,667</u>		<u>£23,846</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>				
Grants and Financial Assistance	25,370		13,520	
Sports Scholarship Awards	3,500		0	
Room Hire and Refreshments	0		200	
Presentations	654		0	
Promotional Expenses	<u>2,570</u>	<u>32,094</u>	<u>2480</u>	<u>16,200</u>
Surplus (Deficit) for Year transferred to Balance Sheet		<u><u>-15,427</u></u>		<u><u>7,646</u></u>

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BALANCE SHEET at 31st MARCH 2025

<u>Current Assets</u>	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
Cash at Bank				
Barclays Community Account	14,755	14,755	30,202	30,202
Debtors and Prepayments				
Income Due - Rates Debtors				
Dinner Debtors - SOS	<u>1,500</u>	1,500	<u>0</u>	0
Current Liabilities				
Accruals				
Year of the Coach Commitments	0		0	
Corporate Sports Scholarships	<u>3,000</u>	3,000	<u>3,000</u>	3,000
Creditors				
Website Development Costs	<u>0</u>		<u>2,450</u>	
	0	0	2,450	2,450
Net Current Assets		<u><u>£13,255</u></u>		<u><u>£24,752</u></u>

Accountants Report: I have examined the books and records of Sport Newcastle for the year ended 31 March 2025 and confirm they have been properly kept. I have also examined the above balance sheet and attached Income and expenditure account and confirm that they are in accordance with those books and records, and information supplied

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From a governance and compliance point of view we have faced and overcome a couple of challenges over the course of the year. In addition to the streamlining of our processes highlighted in last year's report the Charity Commission has changed the way in which it communicates with its charities. There were technical glitches with this which delayed the submission of the Annual Return although we remained well within the stipulated deadline. The Treasurer's contribution to the Annual Return submission and his work on the accounts in general were made more difficult by the seemingly endless obstacles provided by Barclays Bank as we sought to move towards paperless banking.

On the subject of technology, by the time that this Report hits your inbox we should barring last minute hitches have gone live with our new website. This reflects the culmination of a very lengthy process but we believe that the end product will prove well worth the wait. The new site will hold significantly more information than its predecessor, will ensure that news updates are available more speedily and will allow many of our processes to be taken online. In addition it will enable us to raise the charity's social media profile significantly.

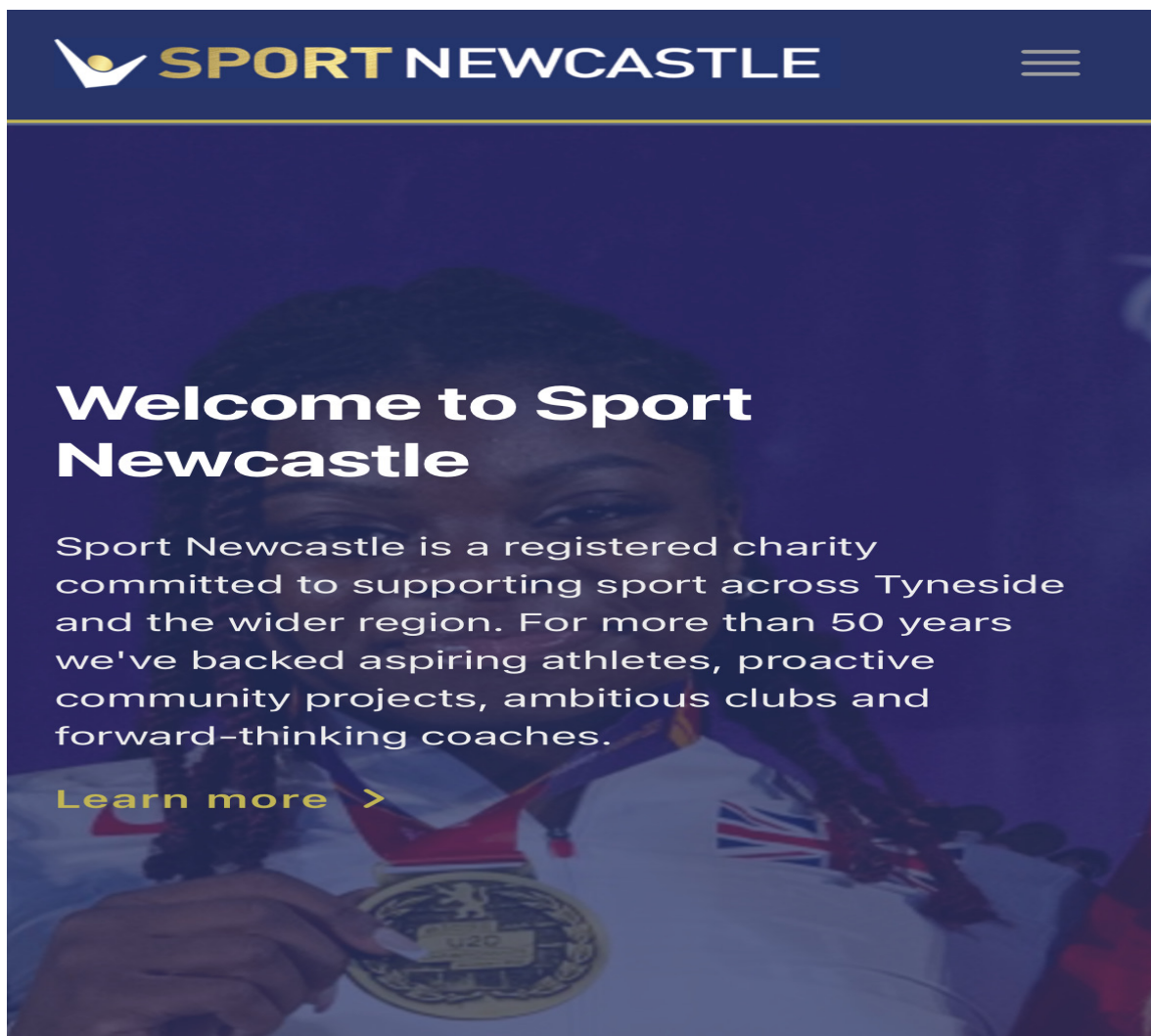
Looking ahead, in addition to our two main events we will be hosting our first standalone Unsung Heroes Awards for almost six years. The last scheduled standalone awards fell victim to the pandemic although a reduced number of awards were combined with some of the annual awards to compensate for the absence of the Annual Awards Dinner in 2021.

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Kingsley Hyland - Secretary, Sport Newcastle.



A snapshot from the new website.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2023/24

Sport Newcastle continues to recognise the ever-increasing demand for grant requests from both young athletes and community sports groups. The range and diversity of grant aid, together with the broadening of coverage of disability sport and the continued focus on coaching all reflect the core values of the charity. As a result many youngsters and groups achieve their sporting dreams. The introduction of Hardship Grants negates the danger of clubs folding due to the burden of ever-increasing costs. Mike Booth's Awards Committee Report provides more accurate details across the whole sporting spectrum.

The culmination of the successful 'Year of the Coach' initiative' was a Coaching conference held in June at the Newcastle Eagles Vertu Arena, organized by Mike. Participants from local to international arenas all expressed a positive response each gaining a great deal from the event.

Mike again organized the annual fundraising Golf Day at Ponteland in June. As always a brilliant day, enjoyed by all, competitors and observers alike, provided much needed funds as one of our two main fundraising events. Direct financial support from the club captain and officers was provided to the Charity for which we are extremely grateful.

Matthew Squires, ably assisted by Claire Finn, again led in promoting all fundraising and sponsorship activity. They organised the Annual Dinner and Awards evening in November, raising over £5,000 as our other main fundraising event. Tier One Capital, SOS Group and Redgate Motor Group were major sponsors, supported by a broad range of corporate sponsors together with many philanthropic individuals and organisations the details of which are highlighted in Matthew's Fundraising Committee Report.

Chairman Roger Tames, assisted by Simin O'Rourke and Dawn Thewlis hosted the Annual Dinner with their usual professionalism and delivery. Roger also continues to chair a strong board of trustees who oversee the work and direction of the charity and all its volunteer members.

Kingsley Hyland OBE rigorously works as Secretary, his legal expertise and sporting experience make light of the daunting range of issues which allow all our future initiatives to be delivered in a timely and streamlined fashion. David Appleby continues as our Treasurer. His advice on grant aid is always precise and succinct reflecting on a lifetime involvement as an athlete, coach and mentor. We also remain grateful to Gavin Purvis for his time and expertise as our auditor. Sadly, long term Associate Member, Peter Ratcliffe, recently passed away having given decades of valuable service.

Newcastle born Sarah Hunter CBE, holder of the record number of England rugby caps – male and female - has agreed to join our prestigious list of Patrons. North East football legend Steve Harper becomes a Vice President. Steve has given many years' support and advice to the winners of our Rising Star awards. Both these outstanding performers are welcomed in their new roles by the whole sporting community.

Claire Finn has now stepped down from all major committees after many years' meritorious service to which we all remain extremely grateful.

I continue with pride in the role of President for such an effective voluntary charity. I wish to take this opportunity to place on record my personal appreciation for everyone who makes a contribution to the success of the charity.

Alan Younger – President, Sport Newcastle



Sarah Hunter receives the 2023 Wilkinson Sword from William Palmer, Financial Director at Central Employment.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE REPORT

The 2023 Sport Newcastle Golf Day took place at Ponteland Golf Club which proved popular with competitors who praised the excellent condition of the course and the friendliness and efficiency of the staff.

The event, organised as ever by Mike Booth and supported by the Fundraising Committee, was a sell-out success and helped raise over £5,000. The 2024 Golf Day is scheduled to take place in July again at Ponteland Golf Club who have proved excellent hosts.



Awards Committee Chairman Mike Booth with the Tier One Capital team at the Annual Golf Day.

Sport Newcastle were also chosen as the beneficiaries of the PK Annual Golf Day supported by Redgate Lodge Motor Group. The event was a huge success and raised over £12,000 to provide a major boost to the funds made available for awarding grants.

The Sport Annual Awards Dinner took place in November 2023 at Newcastle Civic Centre. The event recognised those clubs and individuals who have made a significant contribution to North East sport over a number of years. The highlight of the evening was the Wilkinson Sword Award for Lifetime Achievement that was presented to Sarah Hunter CBE for her contribution to women's rugby while Newcastle United manager Eddie Howe and women's manager Becky Langley shared the Coach of the Year Award. The event, which was hosted by Roger Tames, Simon O'Rourke and Dawn Thewlis, raised over £5,000. The Sport Newcastle Awards will return to the Newcastle Civic Centre in 2024 on the 14th November.



The George Bayley Trophy for the winners at the Annual Golf Day was shared for the first time between Trust Red (Stuart Redshaw – left) and Delta Force (Andy Large)

We have strengthened our existing relationships with Tier One Capital and SOS Group and welcomed new partnerships with local businesses including GLL, Ward Hadaway, Central Employment, JC Events and Graphic Packaging International and continue to offer local businesses a great opportunity to support grassroots sport across the North East.

We have also benefitted from the personal generosity of a number of individuals and organisations who made private donations and organised fundraising challenges in aid of Sport Newcastle. These donations included £500 from the Finn Family Fund and an anonymous donations of £2,500 and £1,000.

A new website and communication strategy is being developed to ensure existing and potential supporters of Sport Newcastle are aware of the work we are doing to support North-East Sport. We will also be focusing our efforts on developing relationships with local and national charitable trusts and grant making bodies with a focus on grassroots sport, mental health and youth - a potential area of funding we are yet to maximise.

Thanks go to all the Fundraising Committee members for the continued support, time and effort during the year with a special mention to Claire Finn who stepped down from the committee this year after many years supporting Sport Newcastle.

AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT

Our uniqueness as a charity that supports all and any sport was reflected in the range and diversity of the clubs and individuals that have received grants this year.

From 1st April '23 to 31st March '24 the Awards Committee met 5 times and awarded the following grants:

• Grants to 5 clubs/organisations:	£ 4,390
• Grants to 31 individuals:	£ 10,750
• Grants to 3 platinum award winners:	£ 2,500
• Grants committed to Coaching	£ 1,000
Total	£ 18,640

The significant difference in the total value of grants awarded compared to last year is almost totally accounted for by the 'Coach of the Year' allocation of £10,549 in 2022.

We are indebted to our two main sponsors, Tier One Capital and S.O.S. Group who each contribute £3,000 annually, and a very loyal sponsor (who wants to remain anonymous) who donates £2,500 each year. Proceeds from the Annual Golf Day and Awards Dinner and smaller personal donations help us to balance the books.

At the end of the financial year we received a larger than expected donation of £12,000 from Redgate Motors from the profits of their Golf Day. It will help us significantly in the coming months to meet the demand of increased grant requests and broadening our coverage of disability sport.

In June we held a Coaching Conference at the Eagles Vertu Arena. 35 coaches from 13 different local clubs joined five experienced coaches who led a range of sessions throughout the Sunday morning. They were ably supported by Marc Steutel G.B. men's basketball coach and Noelia Cacheiro, Eagles women's coach along with Becky Langley, Newcastle United women's coach. End of conference feedback rated the whole experience at 4.8 out of 5.

Two of our larger grants to organisations this year were to help teams travel to major competitions: Northumberland Schools Under 14 boys' football team to a national final and the City of Newcastle Gymnastics Academy girls squad to Italy for the Team Gym European final - an experience that both groups of youngsters will remember and benefit from for years to come.

Yet again our individual grants favoured girls to boys (18 to 13) but at least the boys are making progress from last year!

Grants were awarded to 21 different sports, including full bore rifle shooting (for the first time as far as I can remember) for a young woman who is part of the Under 21 Great Britain team. It is quite clear from parental feedback that many of the grants we award are a lifeline to ensuring their child is able to partake and succeed in their chosen sport. This year for the first time we awarded Hardship grants

to individuals and a local boxing club that was in danger of losing some of its members because parents could not afford the monthly subscriptions.

At the Awards Dinner in November we welcomed judo star Anya Hassan as our newest Platinum Award winner. She is guaranteed £1,500 per annum for three years provided she continues to progress. She's made a good start, having just won three bronze medals in Denmark and two golds in Ireland!



Joy Eze with her Young Sporting Achievement of the Year 2023 presented to her by John Behan, Director, SOS Group Ltd.

Our four year association with Joy Eze came to an end this year. Apart from being a brilliant sprinter (2023, Under 20 100m European champion), Joy has been an outstanding ambassador for Sport Newcastle, her club and her sport. We have been privileged to have been able to support her since she was 13 years old and will continue to monitor her progress as a senior athlete.

We have a very rigorous Rising Stars process that aims to identify the best young local sporting talent to help us find the next Anya or Joy.

In November we certainly hit the 'jackpot' with the 'Wor Jackie' award to Lewis Miley. Within days he was playing for Newcastle United's 1st team against Paris St Germain in the Champions League. Not bad for a 17 year old!

Daisy Burt, a Newcastle United Women's Academy player, won the Jack Hixon award to become the first female winner of this new trophy.

The 2023 Rising Stars to look out for in the future are:

Jakub Bobkowski (Basketball), Gabi Freeman (Swimming), Orson Peter Groot (Ice Hockey), Haydon Mustard (Cricket), Billie Netherton (Gymnastics), David Race (Athletics), Ben Redshaw (Rugby Union), Edward Solovyov (Figure Skating), Serenity Waugh (Martial Arts), and Jake Westgarth (Trampoline).

Major Award winners on the evening were:

- Young Sporting Achievement: Joy Eze, European Under 20 100m champion and winner of 21 out of 25 competitive races last year.
- Coach of the Year: Newcastle United Coaching Team (male & female).
- Team Achievement (Frank Brennan Cup): Durham County Cricket Club.
- Sporting Achievement of the Year: Kieran Reilly, BMX cyclist,
- Lifetime Achievement Award (Wilkinson Sword): Sarah Hunter, England Womens Rugby Union former Captain and most capped player.

As always it has been a busy yet rewarding year. Thanks to the considerable efforts of all committee members we continue to ensure that our limited resources are spent wisely. Feedback from parents, coaches, club officials and the athletes is extremely positive. Many youngsters would not be able to achieve their sporting dreams without the grants that we award. If only we could afford to do more.

Mike Booth – Chair, Awards Committee



Kieran O'Reilly with his Sporting Achievement of the Year 2023 presented by Paul Blight, Head of Wealth Management, Tier One Capital.

TRUSTEES' OVERVIEW

The relative brevity of this overview is testimony to the detailed updates elsewhere in this report from our President and the Chairs of our two main committees. As trustees we are pleased to have been able to maintain the Charity's upwards post-pandemic trajectory.

The trustees have continued to fulfil their role as the Charity's principal decision making body through their active participation in the two main committees. We have addressed the conundrum highlighted in last year's report regarding issues falling outside the scope of the two committees by reactivating the previously dormant Executive Committee. We have managed at last to make significant progress with the website update so that at the time of writing we believe that the considerable efforts of Adam Barnes, Simon Rushworth and Matthew Squires will be reflected within days with the launch of a vastly improved website.

Sadly we have lost two of our trustees with Steve Harper and Claire Finn standing down for personal reasons. We are a small Charity that at one stage had 11 trustees which we recognised was far too many for a charity of the size of Sport Newcastle. The passing of Malcolm Dix and the reallocation to other roles of three trustees brought the number of trustees down to a more comfortable level. With the loss of Steve and Claire the trustees have looked to appoint a new trustee and am I pleased to report that Amy Kirsopp has accepted an invitation to join the cadre of trustees. In her three years or so as a member of the Fundraising Committee Amy has utilised the expertise she has gained from her roles at Newcastle Falcons and more recently the Tyneside Badminton Centre to make extremely valuable (and practical) contributions to our fundraising activities. Whilst Steve has had to stand down we are delighted that he will be continuing to support the Charity having accepted an invitation to become a Vice-President. This, along with Sarah Hunter CBE's appointment as our fourth Patron, has further strengthened our cadre of 'senior' ambassadors.

Whilst this Annual Report provides the opportunity to reflect on the work of the Charity over the last 12 months we cannot stand still but must continue to look ahead. Increased sponsorship activity has enhanced our revenue raising efforts but at the same time we have seen a marked increase in both the number of grant and quality of grants applications which has presented the Awards Committee with significant challenges in making funding choices between applications where in truth there is little to choose between them. Regrettably we cannot satisfy every worthy applicant.

Roger Tames - Chairman of Trustees



The Sport Newcastle Rising Stars of 2023 with the Lady Mayor of Newcastle and Jonathan Edwards CBE. Back row, L-R: Gabi Freeman, Jacob Bobkowski, Lewis Miley (Wor Jackie Award), David Race, Kake Westgarth. Front row, L-R: Serenity Cooke, Billie Netherton, Daisy Burt (Jack Hixon Award), Lady Mayor, Jonathan Edwards CBE, Orson Groot, Edward Solovyov.

DIARY DATES 2024

22 nd April 2024	Fundraising Committee
6 th May 2024	Awards Committee [Unsung Heroes Nominations]
27 th May 2024	Awards Committee
6 th June 2024	Unsung Heroes Awards – Kingston Park
27 th June 2024	Annual Golf Day – Ponteland Golf Club
29 th July 2024	Fundraising Committee
2 nd September 2024	Awards Committee
7 th October 2024	Awards Committee
14 th October 2024	Fundraising Committee
14 th November 2024	Annual Awards Dinner – Newcastle Civic Centre
25 th November 2024	Awards Committee

SPORT NEWCASTLE NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 2023-24

General

Once again for Sport Newcastle there are two sets of accounts but with agreement, for presentational purposes, I will deal with them with a combined approach. At the end of the 2023-2024 financial year on 31st March there was a total of £32,202 in the two accounts. The general account held £2,000 and the Charity account £30,202.

The significant positive from the year is that we made awards totalling £24,980 in the form of Sports Scholarships, Grants, Club Sponsorship and Promotion from the accounts.

As previously reported at the close of business on 31st March we had £2,000 in the Community Account, with zero known commitments, debtors and liabilities this leaves us a useable balance of £2,000. It is important to note that in accordance with the 2022-23 year-end report we have implemented the decision to utilise the Charity account as the primary account for Sport Newcastle financial activities. To achieve this, we transferred a balance of £18,156 from the general account into the charity account, this left a notional balance of £2,000 in the general account. This action recognises our fundamental principles of support to grass roots sports and sports development in the wider Northeast community. In the Charity account we had a balance of £30,202 on 31st March 2024. We had known commitments of £3,000 in respect of the sports scholar's initiative and a £2,450 creditor for the completion of the website modernisation. This gives us a total useable resource across the two accounts of £26,752 for 2024-25.

Corporate Support

Sport Newcastle are fortunate to continue to be supported by long term partners SOS and Tier One Capital who have provided invaluable financial support over a number of years sponsoring the Annual Dinner and Golf Day. In 2023-24 we also received significant financial support from Redgate Motors who donated £12,088 from a charity fundraising event for which we were extremely grateful.

Dinner

The 2022-23 dinner accounts illustrate a shortfall of £12,313 however this figure includes the charge for the previous year of £11,698 for which we made provision in the 2022-23 balance sheet. This resulted in a final small deficit of £618. This must be offset against the level of promotion and exposure that the event provides to the organisation.

Golf Day

The accounts show the Golf Day organised by Mike Booth and the Special Events team returned an excellent in-year profit of £4,757.

Sports Scholars

At the close of the financial year 2022-23 we were directly supporting two scholars at a total cost of £3,000. The awards are administered through the committee on receipt of satisfactory progress reports and are reviewed quarterly at the committee meetings.

Expenditure

Grants and Financial Assistance

The expenditure within this category primarily includes applications for support from athletes and clubs which are considered by our trustees. Recipient sports in the year included athletics, boxing, golf, badminton, swimming, triathlon, basketball, taekwondo, gymnastics, judo, rugby, bowls, fencing, shooting, and bowls. Excluding payments to scholars we made awards totalling £21,980.

Office Expenses

Within the accounts I have identified costs of £377 associated with the operation of Sport Newcastle. This includes website hosting and domain name and all printing, stationery, postage costs and the purchase of a card payment machine.

We have also made a commitment to update the Sport Newcastle website for which we have made an initial payment of £2,450 with a further £2,450 due in 2024-25. We have made the required commitment for this in the Charity balance sheet.

Overview

The performance of Sport Newcastle in 2023-24 has, once again, been excellent, delivering almost £25,000 in support to clubs and athletes across the North-East operating with the absolute minimum of overhead costs ensuring that athletes and clubs can be supported as extensively as possible.

As previously noted, we will continue to utilise the Charity account as our primary accounting tool. The General account use will be monitored over the forthcoming year with a decision regarding the long-term requirement for this account will be made in due course.

David Appleby

Sport Newcastle Treasurer

22nd June 2024

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

Income	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Dinner net proceeds		0		9,978
Golf Day net proceeds		1,342		2,942
Sports Scholarship Receipts		0		0
Rates		0		0
Balance transfer to Charity Account		-18,156		0
Sponsorship		0		9,907
Affiliation & Membership Fees		0		0
Donations		0		0
		-£16,814		£22,827
 Expenditure				
Grants and Financial Assistance	8,460		22,990	
Sports Scholarship Awards	3,000		3,500	
Sponsorship and Promotion	0		0	
Honoraria and Secretarial Expenses	0		0	
Office Expenses	377		254	
Room Hire and Refreshments	0		0	
Promotional Expenses	0	11,837	0	26,744
 Surplus (Deficit) for Year transferred to				
Balance Sheet				
Accumulated Fund	-10,028		-1,371	
Development Trust	-18,623		-2,546	
		-28,650		-3,917

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BALANCE SHEET at 31st MARCH 2024

<u>Current Assets</u>	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Cash at Bank				
Barclays Community Account	2,000	2,000	30,920	30,920
Debtors and Prepayments				
Corporate Scholars Credit from Charity	0		0	
Income Due - Rates Debtors				
Dinner Debtors	<u>0</u>	0	<u>0</u>	0
<u>Current Liabilities</u>				
Accruals				
Golf Day Income in advance	0		0	
Income Due to Charity	0		0	
COVID Emergency Grants	0		0	
Year of the Coach Commitments	0		2,419	
Corporate Sports Scholarships	<u>0</u>	0	<u>3,000</u>	5,419
Creditors				
City Council for Rates	0		0	
City Council for Dinner	0		0	
Others - Cheques Not Presented	<u>0</u>	0	<u>0</u>	0
Net Current Assets		<u><u>£2,000</u></u>		<u><u>£25,501</u></u>

SPORT NEWCASTLE CHARITY

BALANCE SHEET at 31st MARCH 2024

<u>Current Assets</u>	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Cash at Bank				
Barclays Community Account	30,202		22,556	
Treasury Deposit	<u> </u>	30,202	<u> </u>	22,556
Debtors and Prepayments				
Income Due from Sport Newcastle	<u> £0</u>	0	<u> 0</u>	0
 Current Liabilities				
Accruals				
Balance in Reserve	0		0	
Corporate Sports Scholarships	<u> 3,000</u>	3,000	<u> 0</u>	0
Creditors				
Newcastle City Council for Dinner	0		11,698	
Website Development Costs	<u> 2,450</u>	2,450	<u> 0</u>	11,698
 Net Current Assets		<u><u> £24,752</u></u>		<u><u> £10,858</u></u>

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[Incorporating the activities of Sport Newcastle CIO and the unincorporated association Sport Newcastle]

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SPORT NEWCASTLE

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Secretary: Kingsley Hyland OBE

TRUSTEES

Roger Tames (Chair), David Appleby, Mike Booth, Claire Finn, Steve Harper, Kingsley Hyland, Simon Rushworth, Matthew Squires, Dawn Thewlis, Alan Younger

SECRETARY'S UPDATE

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report and Accounts for the financial year 2022/23.

We have managed to negotiate successfully our first year of post-covid activity and the green shoots of recovery we saw emerging this time last year have flourished. Most significantly, our most important fundraising event was finally restored to the calendar albeit rather later in the year than previously and was warmly received by those who attended. Further details can be found in the Fundraising section of this Report. The Annual Golf Day has continued to grow exponentially whilst the 2023 event looks like being our best yet in terms of participant numbers.

The success of these two events and continued support from our main sponsors, Tier One Capital and SOS Group mean that we have been able to match the demand from an increase in the number of grant applications from both individuals and clubs.

Whilst we have maintained the emphasis on our two core activities – fundraising and making grants – we have built on the success of the 2022 Year of the Coach initiative by organising our first ever Coaching Conference to be held at the Vertu Eagles Arena on 25th June. We will continue to explore similar opportunities consistent with our charitable objects in the years to come.

From a governance point of view we continue to reap the benefits of the major streamlining processes we adopted prior to the pandemic. That does not mean that we will stand still as we will continue to evolve and develop our working practices to ensure that we are making the most of the precious time committed by our many volunteers.

The individual reports from Matthew Squires and Roger Tames make mention of the benefits we have reaped from initiatives that have enabled us to spread the word about Sport Newcastle. With this in mind I have appended to this Report following the Annual Accounts an extract of a valuable piece of work which Roger undertook towards the end of the reporting year. Recipients of the Report should feel free to share it with anyone who might be interested to learn more about what we do.

As ever our grateful thanks and admiration go to all those trustees, officers, patrons, vice-presidents, volunteers, sponsors, supporters and the North East sporting community for the part that they have played in another positive year for Sport Newcastle.

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Even the not so eagle eyed will have noticed that publication of this Report comes almost two months later than in previous years. The principal purpose of the Annual Report is to enable us to report back on the charity's performance over the course of the previous financial year. The delay in publication has meant that two of the significant events scheduled for 2023-24 have already taken place. In a masterpiece of understatement the Treasurer has alluded to the cause of the delay in his Note to the accounts. This does not do justice to the many hours that David has been forced to spend in correspondence and on the telephone in order to provide the validation required by the bank in setting up a new account, a process that took over a year to resolve due to the loss of documents by the bank.

Kingsley Hyland Secretary

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2022/23

Sport Newcastle was created in 1967, responding to the Government's invitation to each major town, city and county to establish an organization that was a focus of all aspects of sport, under the auspices of Sport England. Sadly, after more than five decades it is the only voluntary body remaining in the North East dedicated to the original ideal – Sport for All.

Initially Newcastle centric, currently it supports sport throughout Tyne and Wear, South Northumberland and North Durham. With a focus on youth participation, in the north it encompasses an area from Morpeth across to Ashington, in the south an area from Durham through to Sunderland. Valid applications for grants reflect this growth, currently a five-fold increase for grant support regularly recorded.

Sport Newcastle remains a grass roots voluntary organization that continues to support sport in the North East, athletes, coaches, clubs, disability athletes and community sports groups to reach their sporting potential. Great emphasis is centred on the growing problems of the disadvantaged youngster, sport is acknowledged as the catalyst to promote mental and physical wellbeing, self-worth and pride.

Reports from each officer will demonstrate the ongoing commitment to provide both support and encouragement across the broad spectrum of North East sport, justifiably remaining proud to do so.

Alan Younger, Sport Newcastle President

FUNDRAISING REPORT

Whilst the focus remained as ever on the traditional main fundraising events 2022-23 was a busy and largely productive year for the fundraising efforts of Sport Newcastle across a range of activities.

The 2022 Sport Newcastle Golf Day took place at Ponteland Golf Club which proved popular with competitors who praised the excellent condition of the course and the friendliness and efficiency of the staff. However, the real winners were us, Sport Newcastle, who managed to raise over £5,249 which will be used to provide grants to local amateur clubs and individuals. The event organised by Mike Booth and supported by the Fundraising Committee was a sell-out success and helped raise valuable funds. The 2023 Golf Day is scheduled to take place in July at Ponteland Golf Club.

Ponteland Golf Club also chose Sport Newcastle as their Charity of the Year for 2022, the club organised a series of quiz nights, events and raffles throughout the year that raised almost £5,000 for Sport Newcastle.

Northumberland Badminton Association hosted a joint quiz night with Sport Newcastle to celebrate their 10th anniversary, the event organised by Amy Kirsopp raised £500 for Sport Newcastle.

The Sport Newcastle Annual Awards Dinner was held in November 2022 returning to Newcastle Civic Centre for the first time since the Covid pandemic. The event recognised those clubs and individuals who have made a significant contribution to North East sport over a number of years. The highlight of the evening was the Wilkinson Sword award for Lifetime Achievement that was presented to Dean Richards for his contribution to North East Rugby while Newcastle United were recognised for the Sporting Success of the Year award after a transformative season under Eddie Howe and the new ownership. The event was hosted by Roger Tames, Ian Payne & Dawn Thewlis and raised over £5000. The Sport Newcastle Awards will return to the Newcastle Civic Centre in 2023 on the 9th November.



Wilkinson Sword recipient Dean Richards interviewed by Ian Payne at the Sport Newcastle Annual Awards Dinner.

We have strengthened our existing relationships with Tier One Capital and SOS Group and continue to offer local businesses a great opportunity to support grassroots sport across the North East. The current economic outlook has resulted in some businesses cutting their community support and marketing budgets.

As a Fundraising Committee we now have three well established events in the calendar but are keen to add a fourth event from 2024 to help generate more income. We are also focusing on building stronger local business connections to attract additional Sport Newcastle partners.

We have also benefitted from the personal generosity of a number of individuals and organisations who made private donations and organised fundraising challenges in aid of Sport Newcastle. These donations included £2,000 from Peter Mclane, £500 from the Finn Family Trust and an anonymous donation of £1,000.

A new communication strategy is to be developed to ensure existing and potential supporters of Sport Newcastle are aware of the work we are doing to support North-East Sport and as part of this we are currently developing a new website that will act as a hub for information.

We will also be focusing our efforts on developing relationships with local and national charitable trusts and grant making bodies with a focus on grassroots sport, mental health and youth, a potential area of funding we are yet to maximise.

Thanks go to all the Fundraising Committee members for their continued support, time and effort during the year, with a special mention to Norma Waterfield who stepped down from the committee this year after many year's supporting Sport Newcastle.

Matthew Squires Chair, Fundraising Committee

AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT

We have resumed our efforts post Covid, with renewed vigour, enthusiasm and generosity. Payments of grants to clubs and individuals has more than doubled from last year.

From 1st April '22 to 31st March '23 the Awards Committee met 5 times and issued the following grants:

• Grants to 6 clubs:	£3,100
• Grants to 37 individuals:	£12,750
• Grants to 4 platinum scholars:	£3,000
• 2022 Year of the Coach grants paid/committed	£10,549
Total	£29,349

One-off donations of £5,000 from Vic Robins' legacy, a £5,000 gift from Sir John Hall and Ponteland Golf Club choosing us as their Charity of the Year, which raised £5,000, helped boost the funds available this year.

This year we gave grants for the first time to Cleadon Archers, Westerhope Juniors F.C., Wearside Junior Tenpin Bowling Club and Pelaw Bowls Club whilst maintaining support to 16 other clubs, largely through our coaching initiative. Newcastle Wheelchair Rugby benefitted from a grant to purchase specialised wheels and help to fund travel to a major tournament at Stoke Mandeville. Pelaw Bowls Club bought junior bowls with their grant to allow junior school students to have age appropriate

equipment at their annual inter schools competitions. Newcastle Magpies Rugby League club were able to purchase post protectors with their grant.

The funding allocated to clubs specifically for coaching has helped over 70 individuals gain qualifications ranging from introductory to level 3. Support will continue as we deliver the first ever Sport Newcastle Coaching Conference scheduled for 25th June.

Post Covid we received a significant increase in grant applications from individuals. As the year progressed it became apparent that cost of living issues were impacting on individual families. To be able to support so many individuals with grants ranging from £250 (bronze award) to £1500 (platinum award) has helped significantly to keep some very talented young people in their sport.

Athletes from 16 different sports have been awarded grants including (for the first time in many years) figure skating, artistic swimming and coastal rowing.

The ratio of girls to boys receiving grants was almost 2:1 (24:13) continuing a trend over recent years.

This year we lost two platinum scholars: Nick Pyle who had come to the end of his 3-year tenure and Dan Dixon, who turned professional after his first year and is already making a huge impact on the World Triathlon circuit. At the Annual Awards Dinner in November we revealed our new platinum award scholar, Toby Aberdeen, who is a huge prospect in the field of pistol shooting. Support to Joy Eze has been extended in to a 4th year due to her exceptional progress as a sprinter.

Ten Rising Stars were unveiled at the Awards Dinner along with the winners of the Jack Hixon and Wor Jackie awards to Lewis Miley and Elliot Anderson of Newcastle United. Next year the Jack Hixon award will be open to young female footballers as well as boys.

The Rising Stars to look out for in the future are: Sam Charlton (Athletics), Laura Burtle (Taekwondo), Laura Cottee (Hockey), Lucy Dodd (Badminton), Oliver Fletcher (Rugby Union), Charlotte Naughton (Golf), Luke Pichler (Athletics), Ella Pitt (Karate), Luca Robinson (Gymnastics) and Seren Tallantyre (Swimming).

The Major Award winners on the evening were:

- Young Sporting Achievement: Jess Baker, England Womens' Open Amateur Golf Champion.
- Coach of the Year: Marc Steutel, Newcastle Eagles and acting England Basketball head coach.
- Team Achievement (Frank Brennan Cup): Northumbria University Rugby League Team – undefeated in four years.
- Sporting Achievement of the Year: Newcastle United F.C. – for bringing 'hope' to the City.
- Lifetime Achievement Award (Wilkinson Sword): Dean Richards – ex-Newcastle Falcons coach and ex-England player.

More grants and more awards equals more work for everyone on the Awards Committee. It is refreshing to work with a group of people who are totally committed, professional and conscientious and make every effort to make the right decisions. On behalf of all the young people who benefit from your efforts, thank you for your support.

Mike Booth (Chair, Awards Committee)



The Rising Stars with their awards at the Annual Dinner along with Sport Newcastle trustee Steve Harper.

TRUSTEES' OVERVIEW

After all the turmoil wrought by the pandemic the trustees have been able to eschew fire fighting and to take more of a close watching brief over the work of the two main committees whilst contributing in significant numbers to both of those committees. The positive outcomes delivered by the two committees are detailed elsewhere in this report.

Whilst the core activities of Sport Newcastle, as reflected in the work of the two main committees, have remained the principal focus for the trustees it has been recognised that there are parts of the charity's business which do not fall neatly within the terms of reference of either main committee and so have ended up being considered by both resulting in significant duplication. Two examples of this are the ongoing saga of the much needed Sport Newcastle website update and our first ever Coaching Conference scheduled for late June. The trustees will look to address this in a way which maintains the progress we have made in recent years in streamlining the way that we operate.

The success of the two main fundraising activities – the Annual Awards Dinner and the Golf Day – have served to raise the profile of Sport Newcastle. More people are aware of us and what we do as perhaps reflected in the return to pre-pandemic levels of grant applications. We have been able to promote ourselves as a small, efficient charity run entirely by volunteers with a clearly defined purpose and an almost non-existent cost base. As such we are increasingly being seen as a reliable outlet for potential sponsors looking to make charitable contributions which they know will be well spent. This is of course to be welcomed as it will result in additional funds becoming available to enable us to support even more young sports people and sports clubs. Nevertheless, the trustees remain alert to the potential

pitfalls this may entail such as an increased burden on the trustees and a change in the essential character of Sport Newcastle as described above.

Roger Tames Chairman of Trustees



Chair of Trustees Roger Tames hosting the 2023 Sport Newcastle Awards Dinner, A task he shared with the BBC's Dawn Thewlis and ITV's Ian Payne.



Three lifetimes of sporting achievement – Wilkinson Sword recipient Dean Richards (left) 2021 winner Ros Miller (right) and former winner Stephen Miller MBE.

DIARY DATES 2023-24

25 th June 2023	Coaching Conference
29 th June 2023	Annual Golf Day
14 th August 2023	Fundraising Committee Meeting
11 th September 2023	Awards Committee Meeting
2 nd October 2023	Awards Committee Meeting
9 th October 2023	Fundraising Committee Meeting
9 th November 2023	Annual Dinner
27 th November 2023	Awards Committee Meeting

SPORT NEWCASTLE NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 2022-23

General

Once again for Sport Newcastle there are two sets of accounts but with agreement, for presentational purposes I will deal with them with a combined approach. At the 2022-23-year end on 31st March there was a total of £53,476.36 in the two accounts. The general account held £30,920.07 and the Charity account £22,556.29.

The significant positive from the year is that we made awards totalling £26,490 in the form of Sports Scholarships, Grants, Club Sponsorship and Promotion from the accounts.

As previously reported at the close of business on 31st March we had £30,920 in the Community Account, with known commitments, debtors and liabilities of £5,419 this leaves us with a useable balance of £25,501 in the community (general) account and similarly accounting for commitments we had £10,858 in the charity account. This gives us a total useable resource of £36,359.16 for 2023-24. It is important to note that within this balance we have commitments of £2,419 as part of our Year of the Coach initiative and £3,000 for Sports scholars which represents a significant ongoing investment in sport in the Northeast.

Sport Newcastle has been fortunate to continue to receive superb support from our commercial partners at Tier One Capital and Smart Office Systems (SOS) who have continued to provide invaluable financial assistance. We also received specific donations from individual donors.

Dinner

The 2022-23 dinner generated a gross surplus of £17,355 with a commitment of £11,698 due to Newcastle City Council for the event leaving a net surplus of £5,657.

Golf Day

The accounts show the Golf Day organised by Mike Booth and the Special Events team returned an excellent in-year profit of over £4,192.

Sports Scholars

At the close of the financial year 2022-23 we were directly supporting two scholars at a total cost of £3,000. The awards are administered through the committee on receipt of satisfactory progress reports and are reviewed quarterly at the committee meetings.

Expenditure

Grants and Financial Assistance

The expenditure within this category primarily includes applications for support from athletes and clubs which are considered by our trustees. Recipient sports in the year included athletics, boxing, golf, badminton, swimming, triathlon, basketball, taekwondo, gymnastics, judo, rugby, bowls, fencing, shooting, and bowls. Excluding payments to scholars we made payments totalling £22,900.

Office Expenses

Within the accounts I have identified costs of £253 associated with the operation of Sport Newcastle. This includes website hosting and domain name, printing, stationery, postage costs and the purchase of a card payment machine. This figure represents 0.81% of total expenditure or 0.51% of turnover which by any standards is extremely cost efficient and recognises our commitment to directing as much of our income as possible towards sport and athletes.

Overview

The performance of Sport Newcastle in 2022-23 has, once again, been excellent, delivering over £26,000 in support to clubs and athletes across the North-East. This commitment will continue into 2023-24 where we already have a coaching seminar scheduled early in the year.

As previously noted, we currently operate two accounts, one for the general account and one for the charity account. It is proposed that these will be merged during 2023-24. We were involved in a lengthy process with Barclays validating the accounts at the end of the year which delayed the production of the annual report and accounts. With this now being concluded we can take the appropriate actions to enable the consolidation of accounts utilising the Charity account as our primary account.

David Appleby, Sport Newcastle Treasurer
18th July 2023

SPORT NEWCASTLE CHARITY

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

<u>Income</u>	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Donations		4,200		9,729
Dinner Net Proceeds		7,377		
Golf Day Net Proceeds		1,250		
		<u>£12,827</u>		<u>£9,729</u>
 <u>Expenditure</u>				
Grants and Financial Assistance	0		1,000	
Sports Scholarship Awards	0		0	
Sponsorship and Club Promotion	0		0	
Honoraria and Secretarial Expenses	0		0	
Room Hire and Refreshments	0		0	
Presentations	0		0	
Promotional Expenses	0	0	18	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>0</u>
Surplus (Deficit) for Year transferred to Balance Sheet		<u><u>12,827</u></u>		<u><u>9,729</u></u>

SPORT NEWCASTLE

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

<u>Income</u>	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Dinner net proceeds		9,978		-882
Golf Day net proceeds		2,942		5,082
Sports Scholarship Receipts		0		0
Rates		0		4,364
Income in Advance		0		0
Sponsorship		9,907		13,287
Affiliation & Membership Fees		0		25
Donations		0		0
		<u>£22,827</u>		<u>£21,875</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>				
Grants and Financial Assistance	22,990		9,550	
Sports Scholarship Awards	3,500		4,000	
Sponsorship and Promotion	0		0	
Honoraria and Secretarial Expenses	0		0	
Office Expenses	254		190	
Room Hire and Refreshments	0		0	
Promotional Expenses	0	<u>26,744</u>	0	<u>13,740</u>
Surplus (Deficit) for Year transferred to Balance Sheet				
Accumulated Fund	-1,371		2,847	
Development Trust	-2,546		5,287	
		<u><u>-3,917</u></u>		<u><u>8,134</u></u>

SPORT NEWCASTLE

BALANCE SHEET at 31st MARCH 2023

<u>Current Assets</u>	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Cash at Bank				
Barclays Community Account	30,920	30,920	37,007	37,007
Debtors and Prepayments				
Corporate Scholars Credit from Charity	0		0	
Income Due - Rates Debtors				
Dinner Debtors	<u>0</u>	0	<u>0</u>	0
Current Liabilities				
Accruals				
Golf Day Income in advance	0		500	
Income Due to Charity	0		8,789	
COVID Emergency Grants	0		400	
Year of the Coach Commitments	2,419		0	
Corporate Sports Scholarships	<u>3,000</u>	5,419	<u>5,000</u>	14,689
Creditors				
City Council for Rates	0		7,146	
City Council for Dinner	0		0	
Others - Cheques Not Presented	<u>0</u>	0	<u>1,750</u>	8,896
Net Current Assets		<u>£25,501</u>		<u>£13,422</u>
Represented By				
Accumulated Fund				
Balance at 31 March 2022	3,196		349	
Add Share of surplus/deficit for year	<u>-1,371</u>	1,825	<u>2,847</u>	3,196
Development Trust				
Balance at 31 March 2022	7,649		2,362	
Add Share of surplus/deficit for year	<u>-2,546</u>	5,103	<u>5,287</u>	7,649
Reserve for Trophy Replacement		£18,573		£2,577
		<u>£25,501</u>		<u>£13,422</u>
Accountants Report				

I have examined the books and records of Sport Newcastle for the year ended 31 March 2023 and confirm they have been properly kept. I have also examined the above balance sheet and attached Income and Expenditure account and confirm that they are in accordance with those books and records, and information supplied.

SPORT NEWCASTLE: AWARDS AND GRANTS



PLATINUM AWARD:

Financial backing for our very best young talent.

Sport Newcastle has a structured grants scheme of bronze (£250), silver (£500) and gold (£1,000) awards. Athletes have the opportunity to rise through the levels though the progression is by no means automatic and depends on maintaining sporting results. Most athletes begin with the lowest award which gives us the opportunity to get to know the individual and gain a clearer picture of their potential.

The highest financial commitment we make is for a platinum award which is £1,500 for three years subject to annual review. This is reserved for outstanding young sports men and women who have usually shown they are capable of gaining Olympic or World Championship selection.

Once one of our athletes reaches this highest level, our support comes to an end. It is not our brief to finance elite level athletes who are able to draw on more comprehensive grants and sponsorship. Our job has been done by then in helping them up the sporting ladder.



Left: Olympic Champion and Sport Newcastle Patron Jonathan Edwards pictured with three of our most successful Platinum Award winners. Emily Large, World Junior Champion at 200m represented England at Commonwealth Games.

Gateshead Harriers sprinter Joy Eze is currently receiving our grants and has been on our radar since she was a Rising Star in 2017 at only twelve years old. She is now competing for Great Britain at European Under 20 Championship level.

Archer Alex Wise has set two national records and won World Cup bronze and silver medals. He's a member of Archery GB's Olympic Squad.

Our annual dinner last November saw our latest Platinum Award winner receive a grant which came as a complete surprise. Toby Aberdeen (pictured right) is a success story emerging from the Newcastle Fencing Centre where they also focus on Modern Pentathlon and its five constituent sports.

It's within the pistol shooting discipline that this student at Newcastle's Royal Grammar School is already aiming at the 2028 Olympic Games in Los Angeles.

He's only 16 but has already taken gold in his first pistol shooting competition at senior level. He's the GB Under 21 number one at rapid fire and was



the first British athlete to reach a rapid fire final in more than ten years at this summer's Nordic Championships.

Sport Newcastle has been supporting him since 2017 and now he's part of the British Shooting Talent Pathway Squad and British Shooting Elite S5 Pistol Squad. Fellow platinum athlete Joy Eze presented the cheque.

RISING STARS:

Recognition and reward in the formative years.

For many guests at the Annual Dinner, the announcement of the year's crop of Rising Stars is the highlight of the evening. The ten young sports men and women are the pick of the area's new sporting talent and have already shown a high level of achievement, often at international competitions.



Athletics, golf, swimming, gymnastics and the martial arts were among the sports reflecting the breadth our charity's involvement.

Each Rising Star automatically receives a £250 bronze award plus the prestige in following a long line of young talent stretching back over 40 years and including Paul Gascoigne, Olympic Champion cyclist Victoria Pendleton and Rugby World Cup winner Jonny Wilkinson.

Left: Proud Rising stars from the 2022 Annual Dinner, the first since there Covid Pandemic.

ANNUAL SPORTS AWARDS:

Bringing Newcastle's sporting community together.

Our Rising Star awards may reflect Sport Newcastle's grass roots philosophy, But our Annual Dinner has also been recognising the sporting successes of the city and the wider region for more than forty years. No other event brings together Newcastle's sporting community at every level.

Following the celebration of our fiftieth anniversary, the trustees decided to streamline and modernise the evening while retaining its finest traditions. A sharper event focussed on just five premier awards supported by extensive video footage much of which was provided by our friends in regional television who have recognised the authenticity of many of the strong stories that emerge from our dinner. Coverage on ITV's North East Tonight and BBC's Look North has helped spread our message and would be the envy of far larger charities.

Glance down the winners list of the Wilkinson Sword and you can trace Tyneside's sporting history of the last half century. The trophy itself is unique, donated by the Wilkinson razor company whose factory was in Cramlington.

Awarded to those whose life time achievements have left an indelible mark on our sporting consciousness, it is the proverbial Who's Who of our local heroes - Super Kev, Big Al, Big Bren and Big Jack and, of course, Wor Jackie who received his award from His Royal





Highness the late Prince Philip the most distinguished of guests back in 1987 (left).

We were extremely lucky to have squeezed our 2020 dinner into the last few weeks before lockdown which was a lifeline for our income and enabled us to provide financial support as soon as sport emerged from national restrictions. In 2021 we staged a low key, invitation only event at the home of Newcastle Eagles basketball (right) which enabled us to keep

our honours board ticking over.

Last year we shifted the Annual Dinner's place in the calendar from March to November and returned to our spiritual home of Newcastle Civic Centre where every previous dinner had been held except 2021.

In 2018 we launched our re-branded awards. We replaced the rather old school Sports Personality of the Year with Sporting Success of the Year - alongside a Young version - both of which enabled us reflect and pay tribute to the whole cross section of the sporting life of Newcastle upon Tyne.

So the achievement of bringing major events to Tyneside like the British Masters Golf at Close House and Rugby's European Cup finals weekend could be publicly applauded while retaining our ability to single out outstanding individuals like Eagles' longest serving player Darius Defoe.

The 2022 Awards Dinner saw us make a successful return on which we hope to build. The list of award winners again underlines our aim to embrace our elite so they can brush shoulders with and inspire, the best at grass roots level.



2022 Award Winners:

YOUNG SPORTING SUCCESS OF THE YEAR: Jessica Baker. Former Rising Star who won the National Women's Amateur Golf Championship.

COACH OF THE YEAR: Marc Steutel. Eagles coach who stepped up to take temporary control of the Great Britain team and led them to a coveted place in basketball's European Championships.

TEAM OF THE YEAR: Northumbria University Men's Rugby League team - a 45 game unbeaten run took them to the British University's Championship (BUCS)

WILKINSON SWORD: Dean Richards. Ten years at the Falcons as Director of Rugby piloting the club through turbulent times requiring two promotion campaigns which kept the club among the country's elite.

SPORTING SUCCESS OF THE YEAR: Newcastle United. The city's sport flag bearers had undergone an astonishing revival under new ownership and Eddie Howe's outstanding management to restore the link between the club and it's passionate fan base.

UNSUNG HEROES:

Saying "thank-you" to the volunteers who do it all for love.

Sometimes supporting grass roots sport isn't only about handing out admittedly much

needed cash. Acknowledgement and appreciation can go a long way in motivating those people away from the spotlight without whose efforts clubs just wouldn't function.

Sport Newcastle's Unsung Heroes awards highlight the terrific work done by volunteers. Our considerable contacts in a wide range of sports clubs enable us to draw nominations that reveal stories of inspiring commitment.

Our 2021 awards evening gave us the opportunity to salute a few Unsung Heroes, most of whom had made significant contributions during the Covid pandemic. The most interesting perhaps, was recognising all the volunteer work done by the Newcastle Eagles Wings Team (right) who took on the weekly task of switching the the club's Vertu Arena from midweek use as a vaccination centre to its normal weekend function as a basketball facility.



The Unsung Heroes is not a fixed annual event. But following the charity's progress in the last twelve months we will be looking to relaunch it in the near future.

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[Incorporating the activities of Sport Newcastle CIO and the unincorporated association Sport Newcastle]

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SECRETARY'S UPDATE

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report and Accounts for the financial year 2020/21.

When I penned this section of last year's Annual Report the so-called 'freedom day' when the country would be free of covid restrictions was fast approaching. Sport Newcastle was able to look to the future with optimism having successfully negotiated a year in which a number of our main income streams had dried up in consequence of those restrictions. The decision to put back freedom day by a month seemed no more than a minor blip at the time but then came the Delta variant followed in November by the Omicron variant and whilst we are now free of restrictions we watch nervously the development of the variant of the Omicron variant. In short, we have had another year shorn of our principal fundraising event, the Annual Awards Dinner. That we have come through this period in relatively sound health having continued to make grant awards to young sports people and clubs is a testament to the loyal support we have received from our sponsors and the hard work of our subcommittee chairs and members

Once again our grateful thanks and admiration go to all those trustees, officers, volunteers, sponsors, supporters and the North East sporting community for the part that they have played in this.

The Charity has undergone some changes to the way in which it goes about its business but this simply reflects its continued adaptability to meet changing circumstances. These changes are detailed in the various reports set out below and have left us with what we hope is a leaner, more streamlined operation.

This Report is in five parts:

1. **Chairman's Report** – a summary of the principal activities of Sport Newcastle in the financial year ended 31 March 2022.
2. **Fundraising Report** – a summary of the major income raising projects run by Sport Newcastle in the financial year ended 31 March 2022 along with details of the support provided by sponsors.
3. **Awards Report** – a summary of the work undertaken and awards made by Sport Newcastle in the financial year ended 31 March 2022.
4. **Annual Accounts** – the Annual Accounts of both the Sport Newcastle Charity and the Sport Newcastle unincorporated association for the financial year ended 31 March 2022.
5. **Trustees' Overview**

Kingsley Hyland Secretary

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2020/21

Major COVID 19 restrictions in 2021 created further challenging circumstances for both grassroots and elite sport. Despite these challenges Sport Newcastle continued to offer support to clubs and individuals throughout the year as sporting activity returned to something approaching normal levels.

Mile Booth again organised another brilliant Golf Day on the 8th July at Ponteland, thoroughly enjoyed by all participants. Many foursomes return annually to the event, generously giving freely of their hard-earned cash. Barclays Bank yet again match funded the day with another £1,000 cheque.

Mathew Squires, assisted by Claire Finn, again promoted all fundraising and sponsorship, against a general climate of financial hardship in every facet of society. A superbly organised and presented Annual Awards Evening was held on the 21st October at a new venue, Newcastle Eagles Vertu Arena. Roger Tames, assisted by Ian Payne delivered a diverse and entertaining programme recognising not only the region's sporting talent but also paid tribute to the work of the army of sports volunteers – unsung heroes all. Patron Jonathan Edwards presented the prizes.

Long time supporter, Simon O'Rourke, Tyne Tees TV sports editor, kindly recorded the event, transmitted during the next evening's Sports Report on TV. Awards evening sponsor, Tier One Capital, presented a further cheque for £2,515 from a sponsored Coast to Coast cycle ride by their cycle team, well done.

Sports Newcastle's officers continue to promote a clear core message that the organisation exists to provide support, financial or otherwise, to the whole sporting community in Newcastle and across the region. Kingsley Hyland OBE, our secretary, provides vast sporting knowledge, legal expertise and drive to the mission. David Appleby's advice as treasurer is as always highly valued, we remain grateful to his and auditor Gavin Purvis's time and support to maintain our financial security. Roger Tames is a prime mover for our stated mission, leading the media group and chairing a strong independent Board of Trustees. All members are volunteers, totally committed to both the Charity and the cause, thank you all.

2022 has been identified as the 'Year of the Coach' with 12 grants totalling £10,810 earmarked to increase participation, coaching and resultant high-level attainment.

Sadly this year marked the passing of two great supporters of our cause. President, Malcolm Dix, whose service over five decades has been exemplary and our Vice President, the mercurial Steve Black. Both will be greatly missed.

Moving forward, I transfer to the role of President. Our two long serving trustees, Karen Chapman and Ros Miller, now join the prestigious list of Vice Presidents. Roger Tames will incorporate the role of Executive Chair to his portfolio, his enthusiasm and commitment adding impetus to the programme of modernisation. Gillian Sanders steps down after three decades of meritorious service to become, by tradition, an Associate member.



Mike Booth receives a cheque from Ian McElroy, CEO of Tier One Capital from their sponsored Coast to Coast Cycle Ride. Behind him are fellow cyclists Brendan O'Grady, Paul Crowley and Paul Blight.

I remain proud to be associated with such a fine organisation and everything it does to promote all sport.

**Alan Younger,
Chair, Sport Newcastle.**



Malcolm Dix 1942-2021

FUNDRAISING REPORT

In a second year where the world felt the significant impact of Covid-19 Sport Newcastle have continued our vital role supporting grassroots sport across the North East.

The 2021 Sport Newcastle Golf Day moved to Ponteland Golf Club which proved popular with competitors who praised the excellent condition of the course and the friendliness and efficiency of the staff.

However, the real winners were ourselves, Sport Newcastle, who managed to raise over £5,250 which will be used to provide grants to local amateur clubs and individuals to help them recover from the impact of the Covid pandemic. The event organised by Mike Booth and supported by the fundraising committee was a sell-out success and helped raise valuable funds. The 2022 Golf Day is scheduled to take place on 30th June at Ponteland Golf Club.

The Sport Newcastle Annual Awards took place in October 2021 at the Vertu Motors Arena, the event recognising those clubs and individuals who have made a significant contribution to North East sport over a number of years and also those Covid Heroes who have kept their clubs going in such challenging circumstances. The highlight of the evening was the Wilkinson Sword Award for Lifetime Achievement that was presented to Ros Miller for her contribution to Disability Sport across our region. The event was hosted by Roger Tames and Ian Payne, while the awards were presented by Sport Newcastle Patron, Jonathan Edwards CBE.

The Sport Newcastle Awards will return to the Newcastle Civic Centre in 2022 on the 17th November. We have strengthened our existing relationships with Tier One Capital and SOS Group and continue to offer local businesses a great opportunity to support grassroots sport across the North East. The Covid pandemic has resulted in some businesses cutting their community support and marketing budgets.

As a fundraising committee we now have three well established events in the calendar but are keen to add a fourth event from 2022 to help generate more income. We are also focusing on building stronger local business connections to attract additional Sport Newcastle Partners.

We have also benefitted from the personal generosity of a number of individuals and organisations who made private donations and organised fundraising challenges in aid of Sport Newcastle including a team from Tier One Capital who took on the Coast-to-Coast bike ride that raised over £2,500. Ponteland Golf Club also chose Sport Newcastle as their Captain's Charity of the Year which will see fundraising events across the course of the year including a quiz night in May.

A new communication strategy is to be developed to ensure existing and potential supporters of Sport Newcastle are aware of the work we are doing to support North-East sport and as part of this we are currently developing a new website that will act as a hub for information.

We will also be focusing our efforts on developing relationships with local and national charitable trusts and grant making bodies with a focus on grassroots sport, mental health and youth, a potential area of funding we are yet to maximise.

Thank you to all the Fundraising Committee members for the continued support, time and effort during the year, a special mention to Gillian Sanders who stepped down from the committee this year after many year's supporting Sport Newcastle. The committee recently welcomed Amy Kirsopp, Manager of Tyneside Badminton Centre who brings with her a wealth of experience in events and fundraising.

Matthew Squires Chair, Fundraising Committee

AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT TO AGM

The Awards Committee met four times between 1st April '21 and 31st March '22 – all via Zoom. The on-going pandemic restrictions resulted in reduced sporting activity for everyone and consequently fewer grant requests from clubs and especially individuals.

During this period a total of **£13,550** was awarded in grants.

- Grants to 7 clubs: £ 3,590
- Grants to 12 individuals: £ 4,750
- Grants to 3 platinum Scholars: £ 4,000
- 2022 Year of the Coach grants (to date): £ 1,210

The seven different clubs receiving grants included Throckley Bowls Club who received a grant to set up a youth section, Northern Squash who used the grant to run sessions to attract young women to play squash and Walbottle Badminton Club who used the grant to promote and provide kit for their new venue.

The 12 individuals receiving grants came from nine different sports: athletics, badminton, fencing (2), judo, kick-boxing, pistol shooting, Taekwon-do (3), TeamGym and tennis. Yet again we are seen to be covering a wide range of sports, including several that could be described as 'minority'. The gender split was fairly even with five males and seven females making up the 12 grant recipients.

We added a third scholar, Daniel Dixon, to our list of athletes who have graduated to the platinum rung of our grants ladder. He has joined Nick Pyle and Joy Eze who have both been excellent ambassadors for Sport Newcastle over the last two years or more. Nick is a double European gold medal winner at swimming but due to injury and illness he has been unable to replicate his form this year and consequently missed out on qualification for the Commonwealth Games. Joy has received plaudits ever since she received her platinum award at the 2020 Awards Dinner. She is a British under 20s 60m (indoor) and 100m champion at the age of 17 and was recently voted British Junior Athlete of 2021 by British Athletics' writers.

Daniel was presented with his platinum award at the **Awards Evening** held at the Vertu Arena in October, along with his Young Sporting Achievement of the Year Award. Early signs this year are that he will soon be making a name for himself in the senior ranks of triathlon after a stellar last season as a junior.



Vin Pearson, Chairman of Hebburn Town, Sport Newcastle Team of the Year interviewed by Ian Payne at the Awards Evening in October.

Other award winners on the night were:

- Hebburn Town F.C., Team of the Year,
- Christopher Bunten, Newcastle Eagles Women, Coach of the Year,
- Darius Defoe, Newcastle Eagles, Sporting Achievement of the Year,
- Rosalyn Miller, for services to disability sport, Lifetime Achievement Award.



Ros Miller with the Wilkinson Sword, the Lifetime Achievement Award conferred at the Awards Evening in October.

The evening also served to recognise the 'Unsung Heroes' of sport – particularly pertinent as many of the winners had made significant contributions to their clubs during the previous 18 months of the pandemic. Awards went to:

- Beau Pape, Young Unsung Hero, Kenton Amateur Boxing Club,
- Neil & Myra Jamieson, Gosforth R.F.C.,
- Paul Netherton & Ian Chapman, City of Newcastle Gymnastics Club,
- Karen Davison, Northumberland Badminton Association.

A special group Unsung Heroes Award was presented to members of the Newcastle Eagles Wings team who worked tirelessly throughout the pandemic to maintain community activities and organise the venue as a vaccination centre.

Awards were presented jointly by Jonathan Edwards C.B.E. and Ian McElroy, C.E.O of event sponsor, Tier One Capital. Roger Tames and Ian Payne did a very professional job presenting the event, which was a step towards returning to the traditional Annual Awards Evening this year.

The reduced demand for grants over the last two years, coupled with some very generous donations allowed us to establish a fund of £10,000 specifically to fund coaching. Local clubs were invited to apply, bids were considered and due to the demand and high quality of bids we ended up allocating £10,810 to 12 clubs. An estimated 49 individuals are scheduled to gain additional coaching qualifications due to our 2022 Year of the Coach initiative. We plan to make this the theme of the 2022 Annual Awards Dinner on 17th November.

Finally, thanks as always to the efforts of members of the Awards Committee who give up their time to scrutinise grant applications and help to make decisions on how our limited funds can be best utilised.

Mike Booth Chair, Awards Committee



Sport Newcastle Unsung Heroes and Award winners with Jonathan Edwards CBE and Ian McElroy of event sponsors Tier One Capital.

Back from left: Gary Forster (Newcastle Eagles Wings Team), Neil Jamieson, Beau Pape, Paul Netherton, Ian Chapman, Karen Davison, Myra Jamieson.

Front: Jonathan Edwards CBE, Daniel Dixon, Ros Miller, Maddison Defoe, with brother Reggie, Chris Bunten, Vin Pearson, Ian McElroy.

TRUSTEES' OVERVIEW

The trustees have continued to oversee the work of all of the Charity's committees in accordance with the constitutional model and have been active in identifying ways in which we can adapt to the challenges provided by the Covid-19 pandemic which have clearly persisted longer than had been anticipated this time last year. The trustees have continued to oversee the change in approach to applications for grant awards targeted at specific individuals and have approved the initiative of the Awards Committee to support the work of grassroots coaches to restore and increase the numbers participating in sporting activity.

The way that the Charity is constituted means that it is important to be able to demonstrate that the trustees play an active role in taking the key decisions and this is achieved by involving the trustees in the two main sub-committees. The Charity has long benefitted from the support of Karen Chapman and Ros Miller but their other commitments have often prevented them from becoming involved in committee work as often as they would like. They have therefore stood down as trustees. In recognition of the contribution they have made, and continue to make, on behalf of the Charity they have been invited to become Vice-Presidents and we are delighted to report that they have accepted.

The trustees have also recognised that occasionally decisions have to be made speedily and before it is possible to confer fully with all of the trustees. It is proposed that where such situations arise an initial decision will be taken by a group containing the Secretary, Treasurer, Committee Chairs and Claire Finn (Events) but all such decisions will be subject to endorsement by the trustees as a whole.

In consequence of this and following the passing of our previous President Malcolm Dix, the driving force behind Sport Newcastle since it's foundation, former Chair Alan Younger has agreed to be our new President. We are fortunate to have his experience and dedication to the Charity on tap. With our two new Vice Presidents appointed, Alan will be looking to strengthen the contributions where

possible from our esteemed VPs. We will not be looking to replace Alan's position of Chair as the direction Sport Newcastle since attaining charitable status means previous responsibilities can now be appropriately covered by the Chair of Trustees.

The trustees once again extend their thanks to all of the volunteers who have ensured that the Charity has continued to function in a manner approaching normality.

Roger Tames Chairman of Trustees



Chairman of Trustees Roger Tames 'in action' at the Awards Evening in October.

DIARY DATES 2022-23

30 th June 2022	Annual Golf Day
4 th July 2022	Awards Committee Meeting
8 th August 2022	Fundraising Committee Meeting
26 th September 2022	Awards Committee Meeting
17 th November 2022	Annual Dinner
5 th December 2022	Fundraising Committee Meeting
9 th January 2023	Awards Committee Meeting

SPORT NEWCASTLE NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 2021-22

General

Once again for Sport Newcastle there are two sets of accounts but with agreement, for presentational purposes I will deal with them with a combined approach. At the 2021-22 year end on 31st March there was a total of £47,736.67 in the two accounts. The General Account held £37,007.38 and the Charity Account £9,729.29.

It what has continued to be difficult and testing times, particularly with the tragic loss of our President Malcolm Dix, Sport Newcastle made a continued commitment to support local athletes and clubs financially. We made awards totalling £13,550 in the form of Sports Scholarships, Grants, Club Sponsorship and Promotion from the accounts.

As previously reported at the close of business on 31st March we had £37,007.38 in the [General] Community Account, with known commitments, debtors and liabilities of £23,585.29 this leaves us with a useable balance of £13,422.09 in the Community Account and similarly accounting for commitments we had £9,729.29 in the Charity Account. This gives us a total useable resource of £23,151.37 for 2022-23. It is important to note that within this balance we have commitments of £8,789 as part of our Year of the Coach initiative and £5,000 for Sports Scholars which represents a significant ongoing investment in sport in the North East.

Sport Newcastle has been fortunate to continue to receive superb support from our commercial partners at Tier One Capital and Smart Office systems who have continued to provide invaluable financial assistance. We also received specific donations from individual donors.

Dinner

Due to the pandemic there was no Annual Dinner held in the 2021-22 financial year. We did however stage a successful presentation night which generated a small surplus. The 2022 dinner is scheduled for November and will hopefully enable us to generate some additional income to maintain our investment in sports people, clubs and coaches.

Golf Day

The accounts show the Golf Day organised by Mike Booth and the Special Events team returned an in year profit of over £5,082. This figure included a pound for pound contribution from Barclays Charity of £1,000 and the event sponsorship from SOS. This is proving to be a hugely important element of the Sport Newcastle fundraising process.

Sports Scholars

At the close of the financial year 2021-22 we were directly supporting three scholars at a total cost of £4,000. The awards are administered through the committee on receipt of satisfactory progress reports and are reviewed quarterly at the committee meetings.

Expenditure

Grants and Financial Assistance

The expenditure within this category primarily includes applications for support from sports people and clubs which are considered by our trustees. Recipient sports in the year included athletics, boxing,

golf, badminton, swimming, triathlon, basketball, taekwondo, gymnastics, judo, rugby, bowls, fencing, shooting, and bowls. Excluding grants to Scholars we made payments totalling £9,550.

Office Expenses

Within the accounts I have identified costs of £190 associated with the operation of Sport Newcastle. This includes website hosting and domain name and all printing, stationery, and postage costs. This figure represents 0.95% of total expenditure or 0.67% of turnover which by any standards is extremely cost efficient and recognises our commitment to directing as much of our income as possible towards sport and sports people.

Overview

In 2020-21 I said it was a year like no other and hopefully one that we will never have to repeat. Unfortunately, I was wrong, and we did have to repeat it. However, as an organisation we made a commitment to continue to support sport, sports people, clubs and coaches in the region. We proactively established a COVID Support Fund to help clubs cope with the pressures resulting from the crisis. In 2021-22 we continued this approach and extended it to establish our Year of the Coach initiative where we have made a specific commitment to invest in the development of coaches at clubs across the region and across a range of sports.

As previously noted, we currently operate two accounts, one for the General Account and one for the Charity Account. It is proposed that these will be merged during 2022-23. We are currently in the process of validating the accounts with Barclays which will enable this to take place and also enable the full use of online banking systems which will further reduce our operating costs.

Hopefully we are now seeing a return to relative normality and have actually held face to face meetings in the early part of 2022. We will once again be staging our Annual Golf Day on 30th June. This represents the first stage of our fundraising in 2022-23 and with the return of the Annual Dinner in November 2022 will hopefully represent a significant boost to our finances. We have already received positive information in respect of a significant private donation in April 2022 which will hopefully be the start of a positive fundraising year.

David Appleby Treasurer, Sport Newcastle

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

<u>Income</u>	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
Presentation Night net proceeds		-882		-10,222
Golf Day net proceeds		5,082		2,792
Sports Scholarship Receipts		0		0
Rates		4,364		0
Income in Advance		0		260
Sponsorship		13,287		3,910
Affiliation & Membership Fees		25		75
Donations		0		0
		<u>£21,875</u>		<u>-£3,185</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>				
Grants and Financial Assistance	9,550		10,376	
Sports Scholarship Awards	4,000		4,500	
Sponsorship and Promotion	0		0	
Honoraria and Secretarial Expenses	0		0	
Office Expenses	190		323	
Room Hire and Refreshments	0		0	
Promotional Expenses	0	<u>13,740</u>	0	<u>15,199</u>
Surplus (Deficit) for Year transferred to Balance Sheet				
Accumulated Fund	2,847		-6,434	
Development Trust	5,287		-11,949	
		<u>8,134</u>		<u>-18,384</u>

SPORT NEWCASTLE

BALANCE SHEET at 31st MARCH 2022

<u>Current Assets</u>	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
Cash at Bank				
Barclays Community Account	37,007	37,007	26,883	26,883
Debtors and Prepayments				
Corporate Scholars Credit from Charity	0		1,525	
Income Due - Rates Debtors				
Dinner Debtors	0	0	2,650	4,175
Current Liabilities				
Accruals				
Golf Day Income in advance	500		260	
Year of the Coach Commitments	8,789			
COVID Emergency Grants	400		900	
Indigo Software Advance - Badminton Balance				
Corporate Sports Scholarships	5,000	14,689	3,000	4,160
Creditors				
City Council for Rates	7,146		7,146	
City Council for Dinner	0		0	
Others - Cheques Not Presented	1,750	8,896	3,597	10,743
Net Current Assets		<u>£13,422</u>		<u>£16,155</u>
Represented By				
Accumulated Fund				
Balance at 31 March 2021	349		6,783	
Add Share of surplus/deficit for year	2,847	3,196	-6,434	349
Development Trust				
Balance at 31 March 2021	2,362		14,311	
Add Share of surplus/deficit for year	5,287	7,649	-11,949	2,362
Reserve for Trophy Replacement		£2,577		£13,444
		<u>£13,422</u>		<u>£16,155</u>
Accountants Report				

I have examined the books and records of Sport Newcastle for the year ended 31 March 2022 and confirm they have been properly kept. I have also examined the above balance sheet and attached Income and Expenditure account and confirm that they are in accordance with those books and records, and information supplied.

SPORT NEWCASTLE CHARITY

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

<u>Income</u>	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
Donations		9,729		10,747
Sponsorship				
		<u>£9,729</u>		<u>£10,747</u>
 <u>Expenditure</u>				
Grants and Financial Assistance	0		1,000	
Sports Scholarship Awards	0		0	
Sponsorship and Club Promotion	0		0	
Honoraria and Secretarial Expenses	0		0	
Room Hire and Refreshments	0		0	
Presentations	0		0	
Promotional Expenses	0	0	18	1,018
		<u>0</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>1,018</u>
 Surplus (Deficit) for Year transferred to Balance Sheet		<u><u>9,729</u></u>		<u><u>9,729</u></u>

SPORT NEWCASTLE CHARITY

BALANCE SHEET at 31st MARCH 2022

<u>Current Assets</u>	2022	£	2021	£
	£		£	
Cash at Bank				
Barclays Community Account	9,729		9,729	
Treasury Deposit		9,729		9,729
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
Debtors and Prepayments				
Income Due from Sport Newcastle	£0	0	0	0
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
 Current Liabilities				
Accruals				
Balance in Reserve	0		0	
Corporate Sports Scholarships	0	0	1,525	1,525
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
Creditors				
Others - Cheques Not Presented	0	0	0	0
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
 Net Current Assets		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
		£9,729		£8,204

Accountants Report

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ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021

[Incorporating the activities of Sport Newcastle CIO and the unincorporated association Sport Newcastle]

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SPORT NEWCASTLE

PATRONS

Sir John Hall
Alan Shearer CBE
Jonathan Edwards CBE

PRESIDENT

Malcolm Dix

VICE PRESIDENTS

Richard Appleby
Steve Black
Ian Elvin
John Gibson
Glen McCrory
Mike McLeod
Stephen Miller
Victoria Pembleton CBE
Johnny Wilkinson CBE

OFFICERS

Chair of the Executive Committee: Alan Younger
Vice-Chair of the Executive Committee: Mike Booth
Treasurer: David Appleby
Secretary: Kingsley Hyland OBE

TRUSTEES

Roger Tames (Chair), David Appleby, Mike Booth, Karen Chapman, Malcolm Dix, Claire Finn, Steve Harper, Kingsley Hyland, Ros Miller, Simon Rushworth, Matthew Squires, Dawn Thewlis, Alan Younger

SECRETARY'S UPDATE

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report and Accounts for the financial year 2020/21.

As Sport Newcastle's trustees, officers and volunteers basked in the success of another Annual Dinner on 5th March 2020 no-one could foresee what was around the corner less than three weeks away. The locking down of the country on 23rd March effectively meant the suspension of most community sport and at the time of writing, despite the optimism brought about by the successful vaccination programme, some of those sports remain suspended. Whilst this has led to a significant drop in the number of applications for grant aid it has also had a significant impact on our fundraising capability.

The various reports making up this Annual Report bear testimony to the adaptability and resilience of Sport Newcastle that has continued to operate whilst enabling our Treasurer to present a very positive set of Annual Accounts. Our thanks and admiration go to all those trustees, officers, volunteers, supporters and the North East sporting community for the part that they have played in this.

The absence of so much community sport and the cancellation of events on which we would normally report has meant that this is a somewhat slimmed down Annual Report. We are currently cautiously optimistic that normal service will have been resumed in 12 months time.

This Report is in five parts:

1. **Chairman's Report** – a summary of the principal activities of Sport Newcastle in the financial year ended 31 March 2021.
2. **Fundraising Report** – a summary of the major income raising projects run by Sport Newcastle in the financial year ended 31 March 2021 along with details of the support provided by sponsors.
3. **Awards Report** – a summary of the work undertaken and awards made by Sport Newcastle in the financial year ended 30 April 2021.
4. **Annual Accounts** – the Annual Accounts of both the Sport Newcastle Charity and the Sport Newcastle unincorporated association for the financial year ended 31 March 2020.
5. **Trustees' Overview**

Kingsley Hyland
Secretary

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2020/21

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Despite the Covid-19 pandemic Sport Newcastle had another positive year, endeavouring to provide support with “Covid-19 Recovery Grants” to both clubs and community groups. Most clubs’ running costs continued despite the pandemic, however lack of membership fees, sponsors support, dwindling reserves and in some cases overdraft termination meant closure was on the horizon. Many clubs were to enter a downward spiral and their survival was only possible through the financial support of Sport Newcastle. Sadly only a few were able to negotiate a holiday in respect of standard overheads.

Thankfully, we continued to enjoy the support of a broad portfolio of corporate sponsors, philanthropic individuals and organisations despite Covid-19. All money raised by volunteer members and supporters of the Charity continues to provide clubs and organisations with grant aid. Mike Booth’s report highlights the wide list of awards made during the year. A lack of structured competition for many athletes and sports has enabled more finance to be directed to the clubs.

The timely easing of lockdown restrictions allowed Mike to organise the annual fundraising Golf Day at Matfen Hall on Friday 4th September, a brilliant day enjoyed by all competitors and observers alike.

Matthew Squires, assisted by Claire Finn, promoted all sponsorship and fundraising and organised the Annual Dinner and Awards evening on Thursday 5th March, just prior to the first lockdown. Roger Tames assisted by Ian Payne and Dawn Thewlis hosted the Annual Dinner with their usual professional delivery. Roger also leads a media group and continues to chair a strong independent Board of Trustees who oversee the work of the Charity and its volunteer members.

Kingsley Hyland OBE, rigorously works as a Secretary for the Charity, his legal expertise and experience make light of a daunting range of issues which allow future developments to take place in a streamlined fashion. David Appleby has for many years diligently worked as our Treasurer, his advice on awards is precise and focussed reflecting his life time involvement as both athlete and mentor. We remain grateful to Gavin Purvis for his time and expertise as our auditor.

Subject to all major Covid-19 restrictions ending Sport Newcastle will host a relaunch event in the autumn, the format is currently under close analysis, decisions will be made soon and communicated in due course. The launch will reaffirm the core message that Sport Newcastle continues to serve and support the sporting community. All volunteers are highly valued and officers have again indicated their desire to continue in their respective leadership roles.

I remain proud to act as Chair to such a prestigious and effective voluntary charity. I take this opportunity to place on record my personal appreciation to everyone who contributes.

**Alan Younger,
Chair, Sport Newcastle.**

FUNDRAISING REPORT

In a year like no other Sport Newcastle has continued its vital role supporting grassroots sport across the North East.

The 2020 Annual Sport Newcastle Dinner was a huge success, and we were fortunate that the event took place a matter of weeks before the Covid-19 pandemic hit the UK. Sadly the 2021 Dinner was cancelled due to government restrictions which will be a significant hit to our fundraising efforts this year.

Following the first national lockdown, the easing of restrictions and welcome return of sport meant that the rearranged 2020 Sport Newcastle Golf Day was able to go ahead on the 4th September 2020 at Matfen Hall. The event organised by Mike Booth and supported by the fundraising committee was a sell-out success and helped raise valuable funds. The 2021 Golf Day is scheduled to take place in July at Ponteland Golf Club.

Our newly titled Sport Newcastle Partners programme strengthened our existing relationships with Tier One Capital and SOS Group and offers local businesses a great opportunity to support grassroots sport across the North East. The Covid-19 pandemic has resulted in some businesses cutting their community support and marketing budgets.

The Sport Newcastle Unsung Heroes event is set to return in Q4 2021 and will recognise those individuals who have made a significant contribution to North East sport over a number of years and also those Covid Heroes who have kept their clubs going in such challenging circumstances over the last 18 months.

As a fundraising committee we now have three well established events in the calendar but are keen to add a fourth event from 2022 to help generate more income. We are also focusing on building stronger local business connections to attract additional Sport Newcastle Partners.

We will also be focusing our efforts on developing relationships with local and national charitable trusts and grant making bodies with a focus on grassroots sport, mental health and youth, a potential area of funding we are yet to maximise.

AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT TO AGM

The Awards Committee have had five 'Zoom' meetings since last year's A.G.M. In that time a total of **£19,776** has been awarded in grants.

- Covid Fund to clubs/organisations: £ 6,976
- Individual awards: £ 7,300
- Scholars (1 payment postponed): £ 5,500

Clubs/organisations:

Once the impact of the pandemic on local amateur sports clubs became apparent we made a decision that we needed to establish a Covid Fund. Its' purpose was to provide essential funding to help clubs 'bounce back' from lockdown. Eleven organisations have so far been supported with grants ranging from £400 to £1000.

- City of Newcastle Gymnastics Centre – to fund a Foggo machine and on-line sessions.
- Fenham Amateur Boxing Club – to provide individual kit and training equipment.
- Gateshead Harriers – to provide sponsorship to put on early season competitions.
- Gosforth Rugby Club – to fund training courses for volunteer coaches.
- Hat-Trick – to pay for community coaches to run localised after school sessions.
- Jarrow & Hebburn A.C. – to purchase additional javelins for individual use.
- Kenton Amateur Boxing Club – to purchase gloves and head guards for individual use.
- Newcastle Magpies Rugby League - funding to provide free junior rugby league sessions.
- Newcastle Fencing & Sports Trust - to buy a laser pistol to be shared by pentathletes.
- Newcastle Swim Team - to subsidise training sessions on re-start.
- US mental health charity – to fund on-line and 1:1 yoga and fitness sessions.

Individuals:

No Rising Star awards were given out this year as the 2021 Awards Dinner was cancelled.

However, previous years' Rising Stars had continued to make progress and several had made grant applications that had been held over from the cancelled April 2020 meeting. In fairness to these individuals their applications were considered, their progress was assessed and grants ranging from £250 to £750 were awarded to 12 individuals. Under normal circumstances many of these grants would have been more generous.

During the rest of the year four additional awards of £250, one of £300 and one of £500 have been awarded. One of these awards was made under the category of the recently established Covid Hardship Fund.

We have modified our grant application procedures this year. Applications from clubs targeted at individual club members must now demonstrate what and how those individuals will give back to their club for any grant that they as an individual receive. This means that our grants should have a wider impact than to just the person who primarily benefits from the funding.

Scholars:

We started this year with 6 scholars and ended it with 3. We have supported Emily Large for 4 years, having had an additional year's funding to prepare for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. Alex Wise and Ellen Stephenson also received their last scholars' cheques in January this year. Emma Peters (ski-cross), Nick Pyle (swimming) and Joy Eze (sprinter) are our remaining 3 scholars. Our financial model for the year means that we are unable to make any more platinum awards (scholarships) until our financial situation improves.

Summary:

The Committee have responded well to the issues caused by the pandemic. We have been creative in our budgeting and prioritising clubs versus individuals. If clubs fail, there will be nowhere for youngsters to partake in their sport. Many clubs have shown a remarkable

resilience over the last 12 months, but they still have a long way to go and many will need further support from us in the future.

Thanks to the efforts of Andy Naylor we have managed to secure significant publicity for our efforts during the pandemic. Andy has engaged Jonathan Edwards, who has been especially generous with his time, to meet club representatives and hand over cheques to them. The media attention that accompanies photos of Jonathan doing so is of benefit not only to the recipient club, but also ourselves.

Many thanks to all committee members who sat through hours of Zoom meetings without the opportunity of a chat, or drink afterwards and rose to the challenge that the nasty little virus threw at us.

Mike Booth
Chair, Awards Committee

Note: The financial details in this report may well differ from the Treasurer's as he reports on the financial year, whereas this report runs from one year's A.G.M. to the next.

TRUSTEES' OVERVIEW

The individual reports making up this Annual Report provide the detail as to how our various committees have successfully met the enormous challenges that the Covid-19 pandemic has presented since we last reported. This has involved a huge commitment from those involved and their efforts are detailed elsewhere in this report. The trustees have continued to oversee the work of all of the Charity's committees and have been active in identifying ways in which we can adapt to a changed post-covid community sport landscape. Most significantly, the trustees have overseen the change in approach to applications for grant awards targeted at specific individuals to ensure that that we can demonstrate that such awards confer a more than incidental benefit to the sporting community as a whole.

The trustees extend their thanks to all of the volunteers who have ensured that the Charity has continued to function in a manner approaching normality.

Roger Tames
Chairman of Trustees

SPORT NEWCASTLE NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 2020-21

General

There are two sets of accounts but with agreement, for presentational purposes I will deal with them with a combined approach. The 2020-21 year-end accounts show expenditure exceeding income by £18,384 leaving a useable balance of £16,155 in the General account plus £8,204 in the Charity account, a total of £24,359. The reported excess spend was a managed position and was primarily attributable to the payment of the 2019-20 Dinner account to Newcastle City Council for £13,071.80 for which we had made a specific accrual.

It what were very difficult and testing times Sport Newcastle made a commitment to continue to support local athletes and Clubs financially. We made awards totalling £15,876 in the form of Sports Scholarships, Grants, Club Sponsorship and Promotion from the Charity and General accounts.

At the close of business on 31st March we had £26,883.01 in the Community Account, accounting for known commitments, debtors and liabilities and as previously reported this leaves us a useable balance of £16,155 in the General account and similarly accounting for commitments we had £8,204 in the Charity account. This gave us a total useable resource of £24,358 for 2021-22 which is only £1,988 less than the end of 2019-20 financial year. Considering the difficulties that the organisation has faced and the ongoing commitment to sport in the area this represents a very positive position.

Dinner

As we know, due to the pandemic there was no Annual Dinner held in the 2020-21 financial year. This presents a significant pressure to the accounts as it provides us with our largest income source. Hopefully we will see the return of the of the Annual Dinner in 2022. The accounts still include debtors from the 2019-20 dinner totalling £2,650, it is still anticipated that this will be recovered from The High Street Group.

Golf Day

The accounts show the Golf Day organised by Mike Booth and the Special Events team returned an in-year profit of over £2,790. This figure included a £ for £ contribution from Barclays charity of £1,000 and the event sponsorship from SOS. This is proving to be a hugely important element of the Sport Newcastle fundraising process.

Sports Scholars

At the close of the financial year 2020-21 we were supporting four scholars. The awards are administered through the committee on receipt of satisfactory progress reports and are reviewed quarterly at the committee meetings. For 2021-22 we are currently supporting two scholars.

Expenditure

Grants and Financial Assistance

The expenditure within this category primarily includes applications for support from athletes and clubs which are considered by our trustees. Recipient sports in the year included skiing, badminton, swimming, sailing, rugby league, Cricket, Golf, Trampoline, Gymnastics, Athletics, Trampoline, Triathlon, Judo, Archery

Office Expenses

Within the accounts I have identified costs of £322 associated with the operation of Sport Newcastle. This includes website hosting and domain name and all printing, stationery, and postage costs. As reported in previous years we have successfully worked to reduce these costs to an absolute minimum.

Overview

2020-21 was a year like no other and hopefully one that we will never have to repeat. As an organisation we made a commitment to continue to support sport in the region. We proactively established a Covid support fund to help clubs cope with the pressures resulting from the crisis. In testing financial times, we continued to make a significant contribution to sport in the Newcastle and the wider Tyne and Wear community with over £15,800 spent on grants and awards during the year.

Hopefully we will start to see a return to normality with our Golf Day to be held on 8th July representing the first stage of our fundraising in 2021-22. The return of the Annual Dinner in 2022 will represent a significant boost to our finances. It will be necessary to ensure that for the remainder of the year we maintain a strict monitor of our expenses to secure our long-term stability and financial sustainability.

David Appleby
Sport Newcastle Treasurer
10th May 2021

SPORT NEWCASTLE

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2021

<u>Income</u>	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
Dinner net proceeds		-10,222		8,091
Golf Day net proceeds		2,792		3,528
Sports Scholarship Receipts		0		1,500
Rates		0		0
Income in Advance		260		0
Sponsorship		3,910		2,050
Affiliation & Membership Fees		75		125
Donations		0		395
		<u>-£3,185</u>		<u>£15,689</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>				
Grants and Financial Assistance	10,376		15,800	
Sports Scholarship Awards	4,500		7,000	
Sponsorship and Promotion	0		1,000	
Honoraria and Secretarial Expenses	0		177	
Office Expenses	323		126	
Room Hire and Refreshments	0		0	
Promotional Expenses	0	<u>15,199</u>	715	<u>24,819</u>
Surplus (Deficit) for Year transferred to Balance Sheet				
Accumulated Fund	-6,434		-3,196	
Development Trust	-11,949		-5,935	
		<u><u>-18,384</u></u>		<u><u>-9,130</u></u>

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BALANCE SHEET at 31st MARCH 2021

<u>Current Assets</u>	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
Cash at Bank				
Barclays Community Account	26,883	26,883	46,198	46,198
Debtors and Prepayments				
Corporate Scholars Credit from Charity	1,525			
Income Due - Rates Debtors			12,288	
Dinner Debtors	<u>2,650</u>	4,175	<u>6,750</u>	19,038
Current Liabilities				
Accruals				
Golf Day Income in advance	260			
Income Due to Charity			5,000	
COVID Emergency Grants	900			
Indigo Software Advance - Badminton Balance				
Corporate Sports Scholarships	<u>3,000</u>	4,160	<u>6,500</u>	11,500
Creditors				
City Council for Rates	7,146		22,714	
City Council for Dinner	0		13,072	
Others - Cheques Not Presented	<u>3,597</u>	10,743	<u>775</u>	36,561
Net Current Assets		<u>£16,155</u>		<u>£17,175</u>
Represented By				
Accumulated Fund				
Balance at 31 March 2020	6,783		6,014	
Add Share of surplus/deficit for year	<u>-6,434</u>	348	<u>769</u>	6,783
Development Trust				
Balance at 31 March 2020	14,311		12,883	
Add Share of surplus/deficit for year	<u>-11,949</u>	2,362	<u>1,428</u>	14,311
Reserve for Trophy Replacement		£13,445		£3,801
		<u>£16,155</u>		<u>£24,895</u>
Accountants Report				

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2021

<u>Income</u>	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
Donations		10,747		13,888
Sponsorship				
		<u>£10,747</u>		<u>£13,888</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>				
Grants and Financial Assistance	1,000		4,500	
Sports Scholarship Awards	0		0	
Sponsorship and Club Promotion	0		0	
Honoraria and Secretarial Expenses	0		0	
Room Hire and Refreshments	0		0	
Presentations	0		0	
Promotional Expenses	18	<u>1,018</u>	216	<u>4,716</u>
Surplus (Deficit) for Year transferred to Balance Sheet		<u><u>9,729</u></u>		<u><u>9,172</u></u>

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BALANCE SHEET at 31st MARCH 2021

<u>Current Assets</u>	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
Cash at Bank				
Barclays Community Account	9,729		9,172	
Treasury Deposit		9,729		9,172
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
Debtors and Prepayments				
Income Due from Sport Newcastle	£0	0	5,000	5,000
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
 Current Liabilities				
Accruals				
Balance in Reserve	0		5,000	
Corporate Sports Scholarships	1,525	1,525	0	5,000
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
Creditors				
Others - Cheques Not Presented	0	0	0	0
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
 Net Current Assets		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
		£8,204		£9,172

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