

# CLEVEDON PILOT GIG CLUB

England & Wales · Charity number 1163498

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2015-09-10

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTIVES OF THE CLUB ARE TO PROMOTE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN HEALTHY RECREATION BY THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR SEA ROWING, IN PARTICULAR CORNISH PILOT GIGS, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC.

**Activities:** Providing, encouraging and developing participation in sea rowing, in particular Cornish Pilot Gigs, for the benefit of the population of North Somerset. Especially promoting physical health, fitness, mental well-being and social interaction, a rapidly growing sport which actively involves all age groups from 10 years upwards, with no upper age limit and fully inclusive of both sexes.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Bristol City
- North Somerset
- South Gloucestershire

## Finances

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| Period end | Income  | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|---------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-06-30 | £18,729 | £17,809     | -      | -         |
| 2024-06-30 | £21,248 | £13,736     | -      | -         |
| 2022-12-31 | £15,879 | £11,075     | -      | -         |
| 2021-12-31 | £15,481 | £11,860     | -      | -         |
| 2020-12-31 | £13,358 | £12,471     | -      | -         |

## Trustees

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| Name                    | Role | Appointed  |
|-------------------------|------|------------|
| Christopher Hastings    |      | 2023-10-19 |
| Hilary Clarice Marshall |      | 2024-10-16 |
| Mark Richard Shopland   |      | 2024-10-16 |
| Neil William Wilson     |      | 2023-10-19 |
| Tim Wardrop             |      | 2025-10-06 |

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# Accounts

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**CLEVEDON PILOT GIG CLUB**  
**MINUTES OF CHARITY TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**12<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

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| 1. | <b>Present:</b> Christopher Hastings (CH), Hilary Marshall (HM), Tim Wardrop (TW). Apologies from Mark Shopland and Neil Wilson.   |
| 2. | The Meeting was called to review and comment upon the Club's activities in the year since the last meeting prior to the previous annual report and accounts submission (September 2024), and to prepare the annual report for submission to the Charity Commission by 30th April 2026.   |
| 3. | <p><b>Review of activities since October 2024</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Trustees agreed to provide a review since the previous annual report and accounts submission in October 2024.</li> <li>• The Trustees expressed their appreciation to club members hard work maintaining progress and momentum of the club.</li> <li>• New oars have been acquired as requested by club members. It was noted that importing tariffs will impact future oar purchases with anticipated cost increases due to global markets.</li> <li>• The Diner Dance and awards evening on 1 February 2025 was a great event and was well attended. The Trustees expressed thanks to Christine for leading the event organisation.</li> <li>• The Roadford Races series were very well attended by the club, with good results and valuable experience, particularly for new rowers, novice coxes, and preparations for regattas and the Isles of Scillies World Pilot Gig Championships.</li> <li>• The Club achieved improved results at the Isles of Scilly World Pilot Championships 2025. Ladies A came 61<sup>st</sup> out of 126, making the podium and winning Group F in their final race. Ladies Supervets came 32<sup>nd</sup> out of 45. Mens Masters made it to the final coming 12<sup>th</sup> in the long race and 12<sup>th</sup> in the final out of 21. Mens Supervets finished 14<sup>th</sup> out of 26, which was a 4 place improvement. Mens A finished 82<sup>nd</sup> of 131 and Mens B finished 98<sup>th</sup> of 131.</li> <li>• The Clevedon Regatta on 11 October 2025 was very well attended by local clubs and a received high praise for being a well organised and well run event, despite some challenging River Severn conditions.</li> <li>• Several Learn-To-Row cohorts have taken place providing, encouraging and developing participation and the club has had many new club members join. The club has seen advancement in members abilities and there is great enthusiasm for rowing.</li> <li>• The club has had several new cox's signed-off and other future cox's are gaining experience.</li> <li>• The fundraising Spoof Night &amp; Auction of Promises 21 November 2025 raised a fantastic £3300.</li> </ul> |
| 4. | <p><b>Membership</b></p> <p>Membership continues to be spread across a wide age spectrum and fairly evenly divided between male and female. There has been an encouraging increase in members in younger age groups, particularly in their 20's and 30's.</p> <p>New members have been well integrated into the club community and represented in Mens A and Ladies A crews.</p> <p>In common with the majority of Gig Rowing Clubs, there is a shortage of Junior Rowers. The club continues to engage this age group into the sport through continued interactions with Clevedon School including regular sessions with school rowers which have taken place prior to the school summer break. We will look to repeat this initiative when opportunity arises.</p> <p>As discussed with HMRC, Membership fees for 2025/2026 were reduced, whilst members were encouraged to make voluntary contributions towards the cost of our new gig shed, which would benefit from gift aid. Membership fees will continue to be reviewed, with the ambition for future lower fees as a result of the permanent base (the gig shed). This in line with the charitable objectives of the club which are to promote community participation in</p>  |

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|     | healthy recreation by the provision of facilities for sea rowing, in particular Cornish pilot gigs, for the benefit of the public.  |
| 5.  | <p><b>Committee/Volunteers</b></p> <p>Trustees expressed their appreciation for the committee and volunteers.</p> <p>In previous years individual volunteer co-ordinators were agreed for regattas, since October 2024 for some regattas pairs of volunteers have been co-ordinating regattas and this approach has been very positive and encouraging new co-ordinators. This buddying up is expected to continue going forward and is hoped this will further encourage more volunteers.</p>  |
| 6.  | <p><b>Finance</b></p> <p>The audited Accounts for the full year to June 2025 show a credit balance of £23,471.80.</p> <p>There was good support from club members for fundraising events that generated a good boost to the club's income.</p>  |
| 7.  | <p><b>Community</b></p> <p>The boathouse for gig and equipment storage ('gig shed') has planning permission and the 35-year lease for the land was signed in March 2026 by HM and TW as trustees of the club and is now awaiting signature by North Somerset Council. Work is intended to start in the coming months.</p> <p>HM attended the St Nicolas Chantry Primary School Summer Fayre 2025 with an oar and rowing machine to engage the community. This provided great interest in rowing and is hoped to be repeated at future events.</p>   |
| 8.  | <p><b>Review 5-year plan</b></p> <p><b>Permanent Base.</b> As outlined above (7), progress has been made with planning permission granted and land lease signed by trustees HM and TW.</p> <p><b>Permanent Usable Slipway.</b></p> <p><b>World Championship Rankings.</b> The Club made a great improvement on its performance at the World Pilot Gig Club Championships.</p> <p><b>School Links / Junior Rowers.</b> See comments in (4), continued engagement with Clevedon School.</p> <p><b>Regular Social Rowing.</b> Regular weekday events have been well supported, including early bird rows, rowing in the Avon Gorge has been enjoyed and there has been an increase in rowing in the river.</p> |
| 9.  | <p><b>Club Trustees</b></p> <p>Approaching three years in the role, Carolyn Watson stepped down as trustees at the Club AGM on 6 October 2025. Thanks is extended to Carolyn for the work she has carried out in this role.</p> <p>Tim Wardrop (TW) was elected as trustee at the Club AGM on 6 October 2025.</p> <p>Two trustees, Christopher Hastings and Neil Wilson, are approaching the end of their three-year term and applications for replacements will be sought for election at the next Club AGM.</p>   |
| 10. | <p><b>The Trustees</b> are in full agreement that Clevedon Pilot Gig Club remains fully committed to the aims and requirements of its Charitable status.</p>  |
| 11. | <p><b>The Trustees</b> agreed the next meeting will take place in 2026 at a time to be arranged prior to the deadline for submission. Before AGM after the next accounts.</p> <p>I will check trusteeship timelines.</p>  |

Hilary Marshall  
Trustee  
**Clevedon Pilot Gig Club**  
12 April 2026

## CLEVEDON PILOT GIG CLUB

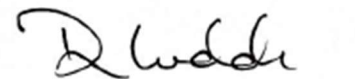
Income & Expenditure Account for period 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 to 30th June 2025

| Income (£)               |                  | Expenditure (£)       |                  |
|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Balance at bank b/f      | 1280.29          |                       |                  |
| Balance Savings A/C      | 21,271.88        |                       |                  |
| Membership Subscriptions | 11342.50         | Rents                 | 3528.70          |
| Diner/Dance receipts     | 1150.00          | Insurances            | 1817.50          |
| Regatta Receipts         | 3631.54          | CPGA Regular Fees     | 1165.03          |
| Interest on Savings Acct | 466.00           | Regatta Expenses      | 2776.00          |
| HMRC credit              | 660.75           | Member refunds        | 300.00           |
| Clothing Receipts        | 1178.00          | Miscellaneous         | 310.00           |
| Oar sales                | 300.00           | Maintenance           | 1584.93          |
|                          |                  | Dinner/Dance expenses | 1039.00          |
|                          |                  | Club kit Purchases    | 1330.5           |
|                          |                  | New Oars              | 3957.50          |
|                          |                  | Bank Balance c/f      | 1363.92          |
|                          |                  | Savings Account c/f   | 22107.88         |
| <b>TOTALS</b>            | <b>41,280.96</b> |                       | <b>41,280.96</b> |

### Notes

1. The Clubs assets as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025 are 5 gigs (Watch and Pray, Blackbird, Churngold, Finzel and Ladye Bay) together with a flash boat. The club also has 9 sets of Oars and 3 main Trailers. .
2. The club has an interest free loan with Churngold Construction Ltd for the Metal Container provided at Clevedon School. The club owes £2,000 as at 30.6.25 and will repay later in 2025.

  
Signed M A Brown  
Club Treasurer

  
Signed Mrs D Giddens MAAT  
Independent Examiner

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# Accounts

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**CLEVEDON PILOT GIG CLUB**  
**MINUTES OF CHARITY TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**26th September 2024**

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| <b>1.</b> | <b>Present:</b> Chris Hastings (CH); Gary Jones (GJ); Carolyn Watson (CW); Neil Wilson. Apologies from Denise Jones.   |
| <b>2.</b> | The Meeting was called to review and comment upon the Club's activities in the year since the last Trustees' Meeting (11 <sup>th</sup> October 2023), to prepare the annual report for submission to the Charity Commission by 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2024.  |
| <b>3.</b> | <p><b>Review of year since October 2023:</b></p> <p>Trustee Richard James has stepped down and the Trustees, on behalf of themselves and the club, expressed their immense gratitude to Richard for his tireless efforts in this role and other significant roles within the club.</p> <p>Plenty of activity took place over the period including participation in other Club's Regattas during the rowing season, although there was some disruption and cancellations due to bad weather, this was less of a problem than the previous year.</p> <p>The World Championships at the Isles of Scilly were well attended, and good results were attained. Congratulations were expressed for the ladies A team who achieved the highest ever placing for a Clevedon team at the County Championship in Newquay.</p> <p>18 Rowers and Coxes attended the Great River Race on the Thames, London. It was a brilliant event enjoyed by all. Huge thanks go to Kay Hamilton for the extraordinary effort, as highlighted by NW, she put into coordinating the event.</p> <p>The Clevedon Regatta was a resounding success with a great day had by Clevedon members and visiting teams alike. Many positive comments were received from visiting teams regarding the organisation, the overall great atmosphere experienced, and the enjoyment of the event.</p> <p>Minimal maintenance has been required to the two traditional racing gigs, training gigs and associated equipment and well within the set annual contingency budget. It has been expressed that new oars are required, and these will be acquired in the coming months.</p> |
| <b>4.</b> | <p><b>Membership</b></p> <p>The Committee agreed to retain the annual Membership Fee unchanged for 2024/25 (Single £150, Dual/Family £225, Student/Junior Free).</p> <p>Membership numbers have remained stable. Several Learn to Row courses were run this year producing a good amount of interest and subsequent membership uptake for the club including 3 under 20s, two of which are juniors.</p> <p>There has been an encouraging increase in interest from individuals in younger age groups, and this will hopefully continue to be the trend. Membership generally is across a wide age spectrum and quite evenly divided between male and female.</p> <p>In common with the majority of Gig Rowing Clubs, there is a shortage of Junior Rowers aged 13-16. The club has taken steps to engage this age group into the sport through continued interactions with Clevedon School to run events to promote the sport. An event to generate interest and provide a rowing experience was held at the school with a good show of club volunteers helping with the event. It is hoped that more of these events can be arranged with the school.</p>   |
| <b>5.</b> | <p><b>Committee/Volunteers</b></p> <p>At the 2023 AGM, the Membership were asked to consider volunteering and becoming more involved with the day-to-day running and management of the Club, to help share the workload on various individuals. This has been widely taken on board with more volunteer roles and more volunteers coming forward. It is expected that going forward more volunteers will be forthcoming with co-ordinators for all chosen regattas to be agreed in advance at the start of the season.</p>   |
| <b>6.</b> | <p><b>Finance</b></p> <p>The audited Accounts for the full year to June 2024 show a credit balance of £22,552.17. There was good support from club members for two fund raising events that generated a good boost to the club's income.</p>   |

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| 7.  | <p><b>Community</b><br/> Planning permission has now been granted for a new Gig Storage Shed. The Trustees are glad to hear this but acknowledge that this remains work-in-progress due to there still being some obstacles to be worked around but they remain optimistic for the club's future Gig Storage Shed.</p>  |  |
| 8.  | <p><b>Review of 5-Year Plan</b><br/> <b>Permanent Base.</b> As outlined above (7), the Club has come close to achieving its target.<br/> <b>Permanent Usable Slipway.</b><br/> <b>World Championship Rankings.</b> The Club made a great improvement on its performance at this year's World Championships event.<br/> <b>School Links / Junior Rowers.</b> See comments in (4). Fully supported by the Cornish Pilot Gig Association, all Clubs are involved in a campaign to promote and attract young rowers, particularly under-16, into the Sport. It is recognised that this is all important in securing Gig Rowing for future generations.<br/> <b>Regular Social Rowing.</b> The Club is committed to promote social rowing to its Membership purely for fitness and enjoyment in addition to the competitive element. Regular weekday events have been well supported, particularly Early Bird rows in Bristol Harbour.</p> |  |
| 9.  | <p><b>Club Trustees</b><br/> After three years in the role, Gary Jones and Denise Jones will now be stepping down as Trustees with two further Trustees being appointed. Thanks is extended to Gary and Denise for the work they have carried out in this role. As previously mentioned, with Richard James also standing down, a further Trustee role will be vacant meaning three vacant Trustees roles are waiting to be filled.</p>   |  |
| 10. | <p><b>Trustees' Comments</b><br/> CH expressed that the Club's Website has had a major update and is now a positive representation of the club to the Public and prospective members.</p>   |  |
| 11. | <p><b>The Trustees</b> are in full agreement that Clevedon Pilot Gig Club remains fully committed to the aims and requirements of its Charitable status. Whilst Membership numbers have remained stable with annual losses normally more than off-set by new recruits, the Club has to continue to work hard to attract the younger generation, i.e. under-16's and those in the 20-30 age range.</p>   |  |
| 12. | <p><b>The Trustees</b> agreed the next meeting will take place in 2025 at a time to be arranged prior to the deadline for submission.</p>   |  |

Carolyn Watson  
Trustee  
**Clevedon Pilot Gig Club**  
27th September 2024



## CLEVEDON PILOT GIG CLUB

Income and Expenditure Account for period 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023 to 30th June 2024

| Income (£)                 |                        | Expenditure (£)            |                        |
|----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Balance at bank b/f        | 15040.14               |                            |                        |
| Membership Subscriptions   | 10956.50               | Rents                      | 2883.32                |
| Donation                   | 3829.17                | Insurances                 | 1811.84                |
| Regatta Receipts           | 2704.87                | CPGA Regular Fees          | 35.00                  |
| N Somerset Planning Refund | 1220.00                | Regatta Expenses           | 1143.13                |
| HMRC credit                | 839.00                 | Website Upgrade            | 500.00                 |
| Clothing Receipts          | 1306.70                | Miscellaneous              | 575.00                 |
| Club Party Receipts        | 120.00                 | Maintenance                | 3533.80                |
| Savings account Interest   | 271.88                 | Planning for Gig shed      | 1220.00                |
|                            |                        | Clothing Purchses          | 2034.0                 |
| <b>TOTALS</b>              | <b><u>21248.12</u></b> |                            | <b><u>13736.09</u></b> |
|                            |                        | Balance bank c/f           | 1280.29                |
|                            |                        | Saving account Balance c/f | 21271.88               |

### Notes

1. The Clubs assets as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024 are 5 gigs (Watch and Pray, Blackbird, Churngold, Finzel and Ladye Bay) together with a flash boat. The club also has 9 sets of Oars and 3 main Trailers. .
2. The club has an interest free loan with Churngold Construction Ltd for the Metal Container provided at Clevedon School. The club owes £2,000 as at 30.6.24 and will repay later in 2024.

Signed M A Brown  
Club Treasurer

Signed Mrs D Giddens MAAT  
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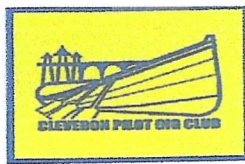
**CLEVEDON PILOT GIG CLUB  
MINUTES OF CHARITY TRUSTEES MEETING  
12<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

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| <b>1.</b> | <b>Present:</b> Gary Jones (GJ); Denise Jones (DJ); Richard James Club Secretary/Trustee (RJ); Carolyn Watson (CW). Apologies from Kevin Fry.  |
| <b>2.</b> | The Meeting was called to review and comment upon the Club's activities in the year since the last Trustees' Meeting (25 <sup>th</sup> September 2022), to prepare the annual report for submission to the Charity Commission by 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2023.  |
| <b>3.</b> | <p><b>Review of period since October 2022</b><br/>Trustee Kevin Fry has stepped down following a job transfer and move to Devon.</p> <p>Following the disruption created by the Coronavirus restrictions this last year has seen a return to more stable and normal period of activity for the Club, with a resumption of planned visits to other Club Regattas during the rowing season, although still with some unfortunate disruption and cancellations due to bad weather.</p> <p>As a result of the change of the Club's Membership annual renewal date from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 1<sup>st</sup> September (as detailed in the 2022 Report), the Committee decided and agreed to also bring forward the date of the annual AGM from January to October. Member attendance for open meetings in January had declined, particularly due to bad weather, and it is hoped that by rescheduling the AGM to the Autumn will encourage more participation plus allowing more time for forward planning for the 2024 Rowing Season. Interim Club Accounts have been prepared for the period 1<sup>st</sup> January to 30<sup>th</sup> June and the Accounting Year will in future run from 1<sup>st</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> June.</p> <p>Minimal maintenance was required to the two traditional racing gigs , training gigs and associated equipment and well within the set annual contingency budget.</p> <p>As detailed in the last Report, the major changes implemented by the Cornish Pilot Gig Association have now had twelve months to bed-in and generally proved to be satisfactory and non-controversial. These include the introduction of block Insurance cover for members of all Clubs at minimal annual cost per head, plus a £25 per head rowing fee for those wishing to take part in the various nominated Championship events taking place throughout the Season between March and October.</p> |
| <b>4.</b> | <p><b>Membership</b><br/>The Committee agreed to retain the annual Membership Fee unchanged for 2023/24 (Single £150, Dual/Family £225, Student/Junior Free).<br/>Membership numbers have remained stable. Whilst those not renewing were approximately 19% of the total, new members have more than replaced the losses over the course of a year. As in previous years there has been a regular waiting list of trialists, with the greater majority signing up as full members following experience and induction training. Currently there is an encouraging increase in interest from individuals in younger age groups. However, membership generally is across a wide age spectrum and fairly evenly divided as between male and female.</p> <p>In common with the majority of Gig Rowing Clubs, there is a shortage of Junior Rowers aged 13-16. The situation was not helped by the Coronavirus restrictions and there is a concerted effort generally to work and attract a generation of younger rowers into the Sport. The Club has worked closely with Clevedon School over the years to generate interest and currently plans are in place to introduce Rowing tuition and experience sessions as part of the School's Sports curriculum for Y11,12 and 13 students, with guidance and involvement from Club volunteers. This will commence shortly.</p>   |
| <b>5.</b> | <b>Committee/Volunteers</b>  |

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|            | <p>The Committee personnel have remained unchanged although have requested that the Membership should consider volunteering to become more involved with the day-to-day running and management of the Club, in particular to help share the workload on various individuals. This view is fully endorsed by the Trustees.</p>   |  |
| <b>6.</b>  | <p><b>Finance</b><br/> The audited Accounts for the full year January-December 2022 show a credit balance of £18,694, and for the period January-June 2023 £15,040. Currently there is no major expenditure anticipated.<br/> CW commented that it was unfortunate that the Annual Dinner had to be cancelled which resulted in a financial loss to the Club.</p>   |  |
| <b>7.</b>  | <p><b>Community</b><br/> As outlined in the last Report, the Club had received a Grant award of £20,000 in July 2021 towards the construction of a new Gig Storage Shed, subject to finding a suitable site within the Town. North Somerset Council were prepared to assist with this and identified an area, part of an existing Sports Field and a Planning application was submitted. However due to technical problems and issues within the Council itself, the application had to be withdrawn. Subsequently another site was identified, a Planning application submitted but, again, there were conflicting issues within the Council which resulted in application being withdrawn. Currently a third site has been suggested, not without possible complications, and discussions/negotiations are currently ongoing. However, the Council agree that they have been responsible for the delays. Inevitably the development costs for a new building have risen considerably in the two years since the Grant was originally confirmed and the Council have therefore agreed to increase the award to £25,000, which is ring-fenced.</p>  |  |
| <b>8.</b>  | <p><b>Review of 5-Year Plan</b><br/> <b>Permanent Base.</b> As outlined above <b>(7)</b>, the Club has come close to achieving its target only to be frustrated twice due to Planning difficulties.<br/> <b>Permanent Usable Slipway.</b> As detailed in the 2022 Report, there was the possibility of resolving ownership of the Town's existing slipway with a Group obtaining funding to pursue the legal issues in order to carry out a full repair. However the legal difficulties could not be resolved, the Action Group disbanded and the problem remains.<br/> <b>World Championship Rankings.</b> The Club slightly improved on its performance at this year's World Championships event. With the addition of members in younger age groups it is hoped to see better results in 2024.<br/> <b>School Links / Junior Rowers.</b> See comments in <b>(4)</b>. Fully supported by the Cornish Pilot Gig Association, all Clubs are involved in a campaign to promote and attract young rowers, particularly under-16, into the Sport. It is recognised that this is all important in securing Gig Rowing for future generations.<br/> <b>Regular Social Rowing.</b> The Club is anxious to promote Social rowing to its Membership purely for fitness and enjoyment in addition to the competitive element. Despite disruption by bad weather regular weekday events have been well supported, in particular Early Bird rows in Bristol Harbour.</p> |  |
| <b>9.</b>  | <p><b>Club Trustees</b><br/> Kevin Fry has had to step down both as a Trustee and Mens Rowing Captain, due to a job transfer to Devon. Richard James must stand down having served a three-year term. Two new Trustees must be appointed and nominations have been requested for the forthcoming AGM.</p>   |  |
| <b>10.</b> | <p><b>Trustees' Comments</b><br/> GJ commented that the Club Website was now in need of a major update, something which was identified two years ago, particularly presenting its face to the Public and prospective membership.</p>  |  |
| <b>11.</b> | <p><b>The Trustees</b> are in full agreement that Clevedon Pilot Gig Club remains fully committed to the aims and requirements of its Charitable status. Whilst</p>   |  |

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|            | Membership numbers have remained stable with annual losses normally more than off-set by new recruits, the Club has to continue to work hard to attract the younger generation, i.e. under-16's and those in the 20-30 age range. |  |
| <b>12.</b> | <b>The Trustees</b> agreed a further meeting in approximately six months.   |  |

Richard James  
Secretary/Trustee  
**Clevedon Pilot Gig Club**  
13 October 2023



## CLEVEDON PILOT GIG CLUB


Income and Expenditure Account for period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022

| Income (£)               |                        | Expenditure (£)        |                        |
|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Balance at bank b/f      | 13890.18               |                        |                        |
| Membership Subscriptions | 10905.40               | Rents                  | 1770.04                |
| Donations                | 68.80                  | Insurances             | 1538.58                |
| Regatta Receipts         | 3163.13                | CPGA Regular Fees      | 490.00                 |
| Gift Aid                 | 996.50                 | Regatta Expenses       | 1150.42                |
| Erg Machine sales        | 700.00                 | Ukraine Appeal         | 1235.68                |
| Miscellaneous            | £45.91                 | Erg Machines           | 1600.00                |
|                          |                        | Miscellaneous          | 422.40                 |
|                          |                        | Maintenance            | 1916.57                |
|                          |                        | Planning Fees for Shed | 952.00                 |
| <b>TOTALS</b>            | <b><u>15879.74</u></b> |                        | <b><u>11075.69</u></b> |
|                          |                        | Balance bank c/f       | 18694.23               |
|                          | <b>29769.92</b>        |                        | <b>29769.92</b>        |

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Independent Examiner

**CLEVEDON PILOT GIG CLUB**

England & Wales - Charity number 1163498

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# Accounts

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**CLEVEDON PILOT GIG CLUB**  
**MINUTES OF CHARITY TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**25<sup>th</sup> September 2022 via Video Link**

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| <b>1.</b> | <b>Present:</b> Andrew Brown (AB) Club Chair/Trustee: Kevin Fry (KF) ; Gary Jones (GJ); Denise Jones (DJ); Richard James Club Secretary/Trustee (RJ);  |  |
| <b>2.</b> | The Meeting was called to review and comment upon the Club's activities in the year since the last Trustees' Meeting (5 <sup>th</sup> October 2021), to prepare the annual report for submission to the Charity Commission by 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2022.   |  |
| <b>3.</b> | <p><b>Review of period since October 2021</b></p> <p>Previous Trustees Hilary Marshall and Cath Thomas-Fricker stepped down following completion of their three-year term and were replaced by Gary Jones and Denise Jones at the Club AGM in January.</p> <p>The Club and Membership is in a period of consolidation following the disruption as a result of the Coronavirus pandemic during 2020 and 2021, very much in common with other Clubs.</p> <p>The Pilot Gig World Championships were held at St. Mary's in the Scilly Isles in April, having had to be cancelled in 2020 and 21, but the normal Regatta season has continued to be disrupted for a variety of reasons this year. We are hoping that 2023 will see a return to a very much more normal pattern.</p> <p>Annual maintenance of Gigs and equipment has been carried out without the need of any major expenditure.</p> <p>With the continued growth of the Sport, the Cornish Pilot Gig Association is keen to promote more Regional Groupings with a view to introducing inter-County competition. The aim is to grow interest in competitive rowing whilst helping to reduce often unnecessary long distance travel to the annual programme of Regatta events.</p>   |  |
| <b>4.</b> | <p><b>Membership</b></p> <p>There has been a larger than usual turnover in Membership, although as in previous years losses have been more than offset by new recruits. Hopefully with the resumption of regular rowing opportunities they will gain the necessary experience and confidence to allow the Club to build and progress further in the coming year. However, a primary target remains in attracting Junior members, again a problem not peculiar to rowing but shared with many other Sports.</p>   |  |
| <b>5.</b> | <p><b>Committee and Volunteers</b></p> <p>As 2021, the Committee personnel have remained virtually unchanged which has again helped steer the Club through an extremely difficult period.</p>  |  |
| <b>6.</b> | <p><b>Finance</b></p> <p>Following renewal of Club Memberships due on 1<sup>st</sup> September, the Club currently has a Bank balance of £16,000, with no major current commitments.</p>   |  |
| <b>7.</b> | <p><b>Community</b></p> <p>In the Report of October 2021, the Club confirmed the award of £20,000 in July via a Government initiative for Coastal Communities as a 50% contribution towards the erection of a new permanent Gig Storage building and administered via North Somerset Council. This was subject to finding a suitable site, but with the assistance of NS Council a site was identified in November 2021 on part of a Council-owned Sports Field and offered to the Club initially on the basis of a 30-year Lease at peppercorn rent of £1 p.a. Planning permission was applied for and obtained, with the intention of commencing construction in Spring 2022 with completion during August/September. However, a series of technical issues within NS Council, mainly relating to satisfactory soil tests in view of the environmental history of the site, have resulted in ongoing delays. At the time of this Report we are still unable to proceed as planned, progress completely in the hands of the Council. A condition of the Funding award is that the project should be completed by March 2023, but the Council have agreed that, as the delays have been solely created by themselves, then the deadline will not apply. In the meantime the Club is pursuing a variety of Fundraising initiatives via the Committee and Membership to raise the balance of £20,000 required to complete the project.</p> |  |

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| <p><b>8.</b></p>  | <p><b>Review of 5-Year Plan Permanent Base</b><br/>As detailed in (7) above.</p> <p><b>Repaired or Permanent Slipway</b><br/>As detailed in the 2021 Report, a separate group also received an award of funding similar to our own (<b>as 7 above</b>) to investigate and ensure the future ownership of the Town's slipway and pursue a programme of repairs. However the group had to abandon their plans due to legal issues regarding ownership and liability (the slipway has no recorded ownership) Their funding has been returned to the Local Authority which has agreed to carry out a series of repairs without acknowledging any responsibility for ownership.</p> <p><b>World Championship Rankings</b><br/>With the resumption of the World Championships in April 2022, the Club generally achieved mid-table status but with many novice rowers to this event. The focus is now on 2023 with the hope that the Club crews will have gained more experience after the sever disruptions of the past two to three years.</p> <p><b>School Links/Junior Section</b><br/>Plans are in place for an Indoor Regatta event involving Clevedon School for early 2023. Subject to interest in and success of this, the proposal is that the Club should promote the Sport to other Schools in the area. Generally, the lack of Junior rowers throughout the Sport is a problem being addressed by the Governing Body, the Cornish Pilot Gig Association.</p> <p><b>Regular Social Rowing</b><br/>The Club remains committed to promoting Social rowing purely for fitness and enjoyment during weekdays to cater for those members who may not wish to be involved in competitive racing and to ensure full use of the gigs and equipment. With the option of rowing either from Clevedon or in Bristol Harbour, this can also involve invitations to neighbouring Clubs.</p> |  |
| <p><b>9.</b></p>  | <p><b>Club Trustees</b><br/>Andrew Brown will shortly complete a three-year term and a replacement will be sought for election at the Club AGM in January 2023.</p>  |  |
| <p><b>10.</b></p> | <p><b>Trustees' Comments</b><br/>No specific comments to add to above.</p>   |  |
| <p><b>11.</b></p> | <p><b>The Trustees</b> are fully agreed that Clevedon Pilot Gig Club continues to meet the aims and requirements of its Charitable status. Fortunately, Membership remains stable and there is more than sufficient interest year-on-year from potential new members to replace those who depart for various reasons. The Club continues to work hard to attract and retain younger members, particularly under 20.</p>  |  |
| <p><b>12.</b></p> | <p><b>The Trustees</b> agreed a further meeting in approximately six months.</p>   |  |

Richard James  
Secretary/Trustee  
**Clevedon Pilot Gig Club**

25 September 2022

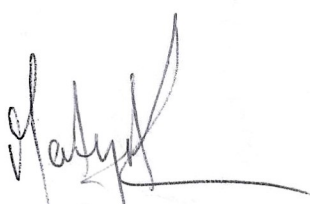
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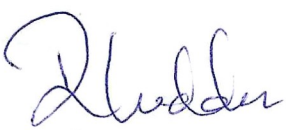
### Income and Expenditure Account for period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 to 31st December 2021

| Income (£)                |                        | Expenditure (£)  |                        |
|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Balance at bank b/f       | 10269.15               |                  |                        |
| Membership Subs/Donations | 12615.00               | Rents            | 1970.04                |
| IOS comp Refund           | 410.00                 | Insurances       | 1402.60                |
| Regatta Receipts          | 1123.89                | CPGA Annual Fees | 200.00                 |
| Gift Aid                  | 403.25                 | Regatta expenses | 120.00                 |
| Clothing Receipts         | 6.60                   | Loan Repayment   | 2000.00                |
| Equipment sales Ergs      | 900.00                 | New Equipment    | 2921.61                |
| Miscellaneous             | 22.79                  | Miscellaneous    | 325.00                 |
|                           |                        | Maintenance      | 2921.25                |
| <b>TOTALS</b>             | <b><u>15481.53</u></b> |                  | <b><u>11860.50</u></b> |
|                           |                        | Balance bank c/f | 13890.18               |
|                           | <b><u>25750.68</u></b> |                  | <b><u>25750.68</u></b> |

#### Notes

1. The Clubs assets as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021 are 5 gigs (Watch and Pray, Blackbird, Churngold, Finzel and Ladye Bay) together with a flash boat. The club also has 9 sets of Oars and 3 main Trailers. .
2. The club has clothing stock to the value of £50 yet to be sold.
3. The club has an interest free loan with Churngold Construction Ltd for the Metal Container provided at Clevedon School. The club owes £2,000 as at 31.12.21 and will repay later in 2022

  
Signed M A Brown  
Club Treasurer

  
Signed Mrs D Giddens MAAT  
Independent Examiner

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**CLEVEDON PILOT GIG CLUB**  
**MINUTES OF CHARITY TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021 via Video Link 2021**

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| <b>1.</b> | <p><b>Present:</b> Andrew Brown (AB) Club Chair/Trustee: Kevin Fry (KF) ; Richard James Club Secretary/Trustee (RJ); Hilary Marshall (HM) ; Cath Thomas Fricker (CT) ;</p>   |  |
| <b>2.</b> | <p>The Meeting was called to review and comment upon the Club's activities in the year since the last Trustees' Meeting (8<sup>th</sup> October 2020), to prepare the annual report for submission to the Charity Commission by 30<sup>th</sup> October 2021.</p>  |  |
| <b>3.</b> | <p><b>Comment and Review of period since October 2020</b></p> <p><b>AB</b> highlighted that due to the conditions and restrictions created by the Coronavirus pandemic, the past twelve months have been exceptionally difficult. Whilst limited rowing was allowed to re-commence at the beginning of September 2020, this was almost immediately followed by the further National Lockdown restrictions imposed in November. Limited sessions were eventually allowed to restart in March of this year and since then member involvement and the number of weekly sessions has gradually returned to near normal. Unfortunately the greater majority of the annual Regattas planned for the season have been cancelled, so rowing has been purely for social interaction, enjoyment and fitness.</p> <p>Again due to the economic climate, it was decided to defer the annual renewal date for Membership subscriptions for a further six months from 1<sup>st</sup> February to 1<sup>st</sup> September. This has now taken place and encouragingly indicates that non-renewals are no more than expected, with an encouraging volume of new recruits added during the year, a surprising number making applications when no rowing was possible.</p> <p>The restricted rowing arrangements have allowed maintenance and repair of both our traditional racing gigs, neither of which required major or expensive work and well within our normal contingency budget.</p> <p>In March the Club was fortunate to awarded a grant of £2000 under the Tesco "Bags Of Help" programme and this funding allowed the purchase of a new trailer to replace one of our original units which required expensive repair.</p> <p>Due to pressure of work commitment, the Men's Captain had to step down and a replacement has yet to be found. However, due to the situation through the year, this has not created any problems.</p> <p>The Club Secretary/Trustee, Richard James, was co-opted as a Trustee of the Cornish Pilot Gig Association (CIO) in January 2021.</p> <p>Throughout the year, the Association has been in ongoing consultation with the Member Clubs regarding a proposed per head membership planned to fund paid Administration. Since its formation in the mid-1980's the CPGA has been run purely by unpaid volunteers, which is now becoming impractical. The proposal is for an initial per head levy of £5 per annum plus a further payment of £25 p.a. for those rowers wishing to participate in nominated annual Championship events (including the World Championship Series from 2022). The Club membership has been fully consulted at the various stages, and a vote taken by the Club Committee, has endorsed the basic membership of £5 per head, but rejected the suggested additional fee of £25. This will be submitted to the Cornish Pilot Gig Association ahead of an EGM due to be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> October.</p> <p><b>KF</b> commented that the Club H&amp;S Officer, Jamie Edmonds, had done a really excellent job with amending and revising the various Risk Assessments during the year, taking into account the ever-changing requirements of the Coronavirus restrictions. This has allowed a gradual return to almost normal rowing. Equally, he felt the Committee had done well in their various roles to boost Club morale.</p> <p><b>HM</b> fully agreed, particularly regarding implementation of the Coronavirus safeguarding.</p> |  |
| <b>4.</b> | <p><b>Membership</b></p> <p>As outlined above, the general morale of the Club has been well sustained during a most difficult period, including the recruitment of a surprising number</p>   |  |

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|            | of new members (a higher proportion being women). However what is still lacking is a thriving Junior section, which remains an ongoing priority .  |  |
| <b>5.</b>  | <b>Committee and Volunteers</b><br>The Committee personnel have remained stable which has undoubtedly contributed to the stability of the Club over a difficult period. Also the Club Captains/Vice Captains have played their part and grown into their roles.  |  |
| <b>6.</b>  | <b>Finance</b><br>The Club currently has a Bank balance of approximately £12,000, with no immediate commitments and well above the contingency limit.  |  |
| <b>7.</b>  | <b>Community</b><br>In August 2021 the Club was invited to submit an application for a share of Government sponsored “Coastal Communities” funding to be allocated by North Somerset Council, specifically to assist and improve non-profit organisations operating along Clevedon Sea Front. Various schemes were proposed and considered, five being selected, including Clevedon Pilot Gig Club with an application for £20,000 as a 50% contribution towards the construction of a Gig Storage building. This was approved in early September, subject to identifying and negotiating with the Council for a suitable site. Further discussions have provided several options, one of which is suitable, and an application for Planning Consent will be submitted shortly. The site will be leased to the Club at a peppercorn rent for an initial period of 25 years. The remainder of the funding for building costs is already covered via various pledges, whilst additional grant funding will also be available as necessary. Subject to Planning approval, construction work could commence in Spring 2022 with completion by early Summer.<br>If this project is achieved it will be the final solution to a long term problem for the Club in providing safe storage and protection from the weather for the two traditional wooden racing gigs, greatly reducing maintenance costs. In addition it will allow the majority of the Club’s inventory of equipment (particularly oars) to be stored under one roof.                                |  |
| <b>8.</b>  | <b>Review and Update of 5 Year Plan</b><br><b>Permanent Base.</b> As detailed above the Club is within sight of achieving a long term target.<br><b>Repaired or Replacement Slipway.</b> As in <b>(7)</b> a separate group also tendered an application for funding via North Somerset Council towards investigating repair and ownership of the existing Town slipway via a Charitable Trust, also receiving a sum of £20,000. Obviously this has the support of the Pilot Gig Club, Sailing Club and other local users of the slipway. .<br><b>World Championship Rankings.</b> With the cancellation of the World Championship events in 2020 and 2021, the Club is now focussed on the next event due in Spring 2022.<br><b>School Links/Junior Section.</b> This remains a major priority aiming to re-establish the highly successful Juniors section particularly between 2014-2017. Little activity has been possible involving Clevedon School within the past 18 months, but discussions are now taking place to promote an Indoor Regatta (using rowing machines) , also involving another School in the area - St.Katherines, Ham Green.<br><b>Social Rowing Group.</b> With a growing number of older and/or retired members, the need to encourage more weekday rowing as a social and fitness activity, particularly for those members not involved in competition rowing. Post-lockdown volunteers have already come forward to organise this with the aim that this will become a regular and important part of the Club throughout the year. |  |
| <b>9.</b>  | <b>Club Trustees</b><br>Three Trustees ( <b>AB, HM, CTF</b> ) are approaching the end of their three year term and applications for replacements will be sought for election at the Club AGM in January 2022.  |  |
| <b>10.</b> | <b>Trustees’ Comments</b><br><b>KF</b> - Particularly with the enforced restriction of rowing opportunities during the past 18 months, would be keen to encourage increased liaison with the six other local Clubs in the Avon & Somerset League. Towards the end of a frustrating year it is encouraging that the Club will be able to hold its Regatta (9 <sup>th</sup> October) as a local showcase, plus an encouraging number of new members  |  |

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|                   | <p>recruited during the past six months.</p> <p><b>CTF</b> - Encouraged that the Club has more than weathered the problems against the odds and emerging with a strong spirit.</p> <p><b>HM</b> - Echoed the comments above. Anxious to see the Club work toward rebuilding of a Junior section as a main target.</p> <p><b>RJ</b> - If the Club is able to succeed in acquiring a purpose-built Gig &amp; Equipment store it will finally ensure the long term future of the Club and Pilot Gig rowing in the Town.</p> |  |
| <p><b>11.</b></p> | <p><b>The Trustees</b> are in full agreement that the Club has continued to meet the aims and requirements of its Charitable status, more particularly over the course of a very difficult year. As in previous years, membership remains stable but continues to attract new interest over a very wide age range, and of both sexes. However, a main priority now is to work hard to encourage and attract more Junior members (i.e. under 16).</p>   |  |




## CLEVEDON PILOT GIG CLUB


Income and Expenditure Account for period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

| Income (£)                |                        | Expenditure (£)  |                        |
|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Balance at bank b/f       | 9382.25                |                  |                        |
| Membership Subs/Donations | 9701.00                | Rents            | 2667.52                |
| Fundraising               | 125.74                 | Insurances       | 1375.14                |
| Regatta Receipts          | 180.00                 | CPGA annual fees | 200.00                 |
| Gift Aid                  | 1567.11                | Regatta expenses | 590.00                 |
| Clothing Receipts         | 1130.80                | Clothing and kit | 1110.26                |
| Equipment sale            | 644.39                 | New Equipment    | 3843.94                |
| Miscellaneous             | 9.00                   | Miscellaneous    | 309.40                 |
|                           |                        | Maintenance      | 2374.88                |
| <b>TOTALS</b>             | <b><u>13358.04</u></b> |                  | <b><u>12471.14</u></b> |
|                           |                        | Balance bank c/f | 10269.15               |
|                           | <b><u>22740.29</u></b> |                  | <b><u>22740.29</u></b> |

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1. The Clubs assets as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 are 5 gigs (Watch and Pray, Blackbird, Churngold, Finzel and Ladye Bay) together with a flash boat. The club also has 9 sets of Oars and three main Trailers. 1 further trailer is on order.
2. The club has clothing stock to the value of £50 yet to be sold.
3. The club has an interest free loan with Churngold Construction Ltd for the Metal Container provided at Clevedon School. The club owes £4,000 as at 31.12.20 and will repay in 2 annual instalments of £2,000.

  
Signed M A Brown  
Club Treasurer

  
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