



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 May 2024 To 30 April 2025

Charity name: Northumbria Squash Rackets Association

Charity registration number: 1180804

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The promotion of community participation in healthy recreation for the public benefit by the provision of facilities for playing the sports of squash and squash 57 in the county of Northumbria.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Competitive activities such as county championships, county league and cup competitions, and entering of junior, senior and masters teams into the Inter-County Championships. Promoting increased participation through support for juniors, grassroots and those with disabilities. Organisation of training for coaches and referees, and support for them. Advice and support to venues with squash courts on promoting the use of the courts.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees are made aware of all guidance from the Charity Commission about public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Northumbria Squash Rackets Association ('NSRA') has given many hundreds of squash and racketball players the opportunity to pursue their sport competitively and to take advantage of trained coaches.</p> <p>It has enabled venues with squash courts to increase the use of their courts, particularly by providing introductory opportunities to newcomers to the sport.</p> <p>It seeks to offer these opportunities as widely as possible to society, because of the benefits to the individual of playing the sport.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	NSRA's cash position improved by £4,907 over the year to £23,508.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	NSRA reserves an amount in case of unforeseen expenditure, of around 6 months' annual unrestricted expenditure as reserves in case of shortfalls or delays in income being received. Based on the latest forecasts, this currently equates to around £10,000.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£10,000.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principal sources of funds are England Squash club affiliation and individual membership rebates, England Squash County funding, County league fees and tournament entry fees, sponsorship and raffles.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	NSRA has a 'no-investment' policy. Surplus cash is placed in interest-earning 35-day and 120-day notice deposit accounts.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principal risks are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • safeguarding of young and vulnerable players and members of the squash community; • injury to players; • loss of key volunteers / expertise.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees may be appointed / re-appointed at the AGM, or by the Trustees to fill a vacancy with subsequent ratification at the AGM. Trustees serve a maximum of nine years.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Trustees are given access to all relevant information, including constitution, report and accounts, meeting minutes, organisational structure, status reports, Charity Commission updates.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	NSRA's members are the squash clubs participating in the county leagues who are affiliated to England Squash, the national governing body. There are up to six charity trustees who delegate the day-to-day running to a committee of around 14 volunteers (including the trustees).
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Northumbria Squash Rackets Association
Other name the charity uses	Northumbria Squash
Registered charity number	1180804
Charity's principal address	21 Craneswater Avenue Whitley Bay Tyne & Wear NE26 4NN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	John Thompson	Chair & acting Treasurer		NSRA Members, or Trustees subject to Members' ratification at AGM
2	David Barnett			"
3	Simon Long	Treasurer	Retired 2 July 2024	"
4	Colin McNestrie			"
5	Joseph Witherspoon			"
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None.
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	n/a
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	n/a

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature(s)	<i>J A Thompson</i>	
Full name(s)	John Andrew Thompson	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	1 June 2025	



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01-May-24

To

Period end date
30-Apr-25

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
England Squash membership rebate	3,578	-	-	3,578	3,631
Northumbria League fees	2,745	-	-	2,745	2,925
Tournament entry fees	6,685	-	-	6,685	6,570
Tournament sponsorship	-	1,750	-	1,750	2,250
England Squash County funding	-	2,500	-	2,500	2,425
Other fundraising	716	1,248	-	1,963	651
Bank interest	606	-	-	606	481
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	14,330	5,498	-	19,828	18,933
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	14,330	5,498	-	19,828	18,933
A3 Payments					
Northumbria League expenses	1,622	-	-	1,622	1,057
Tournaments	4,411	1,750	-	6,161	8,195
Inter County teams	4,568	1,867	-	6,435	3,484
Talent, Participation, Diversity & Inclusion	165	-	-	165	3,773
County t-shirts	487	-	-	487	355
Coaching & Refereeing	50	-	-	50	125
Website	-	-	-	-	144
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	11,304	3,617	-	14,921	17,133
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	11,304	3,617	-	14,921	17,133
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,027	1,881	-	4,907	1,801
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	17,982	619	-	18,601	16,800
Cash funds this year end	21,008	2,500	-	23,508	18,601

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	NatWest current account	3,417	-	-
	NatWest 35-day notice account	1,602	2,500	-
	Virgin Money 120-day notice account	15,989	-	-
	Total cash funds	21,008	2,500	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
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			-	-
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B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Northumbria Leagues	Unrestricted	292	31 May 2025
	Tournaments	Unrestricted	1,470	30 June 2025
	Talent, performance and participation	Unrestricted	769	30 September 2025
	Talent, performance and participation	Restricted	2,500	30 September 2025
	Web hosting fees	Unrestricted	75	30 September 2025
	Total liabilities		5,106	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	J A Thompson	John Andrew Thompson	01 June 2025	