

Ballycastle Bowling and Social Recreation Centre

Northern Ireland · Charity number 100724

Details

Known as	BBSRC
Status	Received
Registered	2014-12-11
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

Address	Mary Street Ballycastle County Antrim BT54 6qj BT54 6QL
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Website	n/a

Activities

Purposes: The Centre is established for the promotion of community participation for the preservation and protection of health by the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure-time occupation in the interests of social welfare for the benefit of the general public in Ballycastle and its environs in North Antrim (hereinafter called "the area of benefit") without regard to age, gender, sexual orientation, ability, disability, ethnic identity, nationality, religion or political opinion and in particular, to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure-time occupation of the inhabitants of North Antrim who would benefit from such facilities as a result of their youth, age, disability or social and economic circumstances and so that their conditions of life may be improved.

What the charity does: The advancement of health or the saving of lives, The advancement of amateur sport

How the charity works: Sport/recreation

Who the charity helps: General public

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-10-31	£10,856	£5,433	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christine Moseley		
Mr Andrew Mcgarry		
Mr Austin Mcfadden		
Mr Brian Mckay		
Mr Fred Morrow		
Mr John James Mciloy		
Mr John Mckeegan		
Mr Joseph Mccarry		
Mr Liam Graham		
Mr Mark Harris		
Mr Pat Mcauley		
Mr Patrick Mclaughlin		
Mr Sean Molloy		
Ms Angela Jamison		

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Ballycastle Bowling & Social Recreation Centre

Club Accounts for the year 1st Nov 2023 to 31st October 2024

Opening Balances - 1st November 2023

Santander Current Account	£11,952.00
Progressive Deposit	£5,948.00
	<u>£17,900.00</u>

Income Received

Competition Fees	£115.00
Donations	£3,693.00
Membership	£3,890.00
Playing Kit Sales	£60.00
Progressive Deposit Interest	£143.00
Rinkside Advertising	£1,400.00
Rental	£905.00
Visitor's Fees	£650.00
	<u>£10,856.00</u>

Outgoing Payments

Dungiven BC Donation	£50.00
Greenkeeping	£2,215.00
Irish Bowling Association	£80.00
Insurance	£1,320.00
Miscellaneous	£25.00
NIPBA Fees	£886.00
Print, Postage & Stationary	£251.00
Repairs & Renewals	£420.00
Utilities	£186.00

£5,433.00

Surplus

£5,423.00

Closing Balances - 31st October 2024

Santander Current Account	£17,232.00
Progressive Deposit	£6,091.00
	<u>£23,323.00</u>

Non Monetary Assets - 31st October 2024

Land and Buildings	£350,000.00
Machinery	£10,000.00
	<u>£360,000.00</u>

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Santander Current Account	£12,924.00
Progressive Deposit	<u>£5,905.00</u>
	<u>£18,829.00</u>

Previous year outstanding items cleared (- £2022)

Income Received

Clubhouse Rental	£800.00
Dreams Ahoy Community Network Grant	£200.00
Competition Fees	£155.00
Club Awards Dinner	£975.00
Membership	£4,000.00
Monday Night Rinks Fees	£115.00
Playing Kit Sales	£31.00
Progressive Deposit Interest	£43.00
Rinkside Advertising	£1,550.00
Sponsorship	£500.00
Visitor's Fees	£560.00
	<u>£8,929.00</u>

Outgoing Payments

Bank Fees	£3.00
Bowls Equipment	£200.00
Bowls Stickers	£95.00
Catering	£230.00
Club Awards Dinner	£1,025.00
Club Badges	£274.00
Green Maintenance	£953.00
IBA Fees	£80.00
Insurance	£1,287.00
Kit Purchase	£2,038.00
Miscellaneous expenses	£62.00
NIPBA Fees	£829.00
Presidents Board	£20.00
Promotional Items	£132.00
Travel Expenses	£110.00
Utilities	£541.00
	<u>£7,879.00</u>

Surplus £1,050.00

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Annual report

Trustee Annual Report

Ballycastle Bowling & Social Recreation Centre
Mary Street, Ballycastle, County Antrim, BT54 6QH

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This report relates to financial year:

1st November 2022 - 31st October 2023

The following individuals were the charity trustees on the date the report was approved:

Liam Graham, Christine Moseley, Sean Molloy, John McKeegan, Fred Morrow, Joseph McCarry, Angela Jamison, Turlough McKeegan, Pat McAuley, Andy McGarry, Brian McKay, Rob Donald.

The following individuals served as charity trustees during the year:

Mark Donald, Gerry Norwood, Sean McIlroy, Thomas Grainger, Turlough McKeegan, Brian McKay, Andy McGarry, Sean Molloy, Mark Harris, John McKeegan.

The trustees have read the Commission's Public Benefit requirement statutory guidance and have had regard to this when running the charity.

The Centre was established as Ballycastle Bowling Club in 1909 and became known as Ballycastle Bowling and Social Recreation Centre (BBSRC) on 14th day of August 2004. Recognised as a Charity with HMRC as The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. The Charity is governed by a constitution last amended 14th November 2023.

Objectives:

The Centre is established for the promotion of community participation for the preservation and protection of health. This is delivered, through the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure-time occupation in the interests of social welfare for the benefit of the general public of Ballycastle and its environs in north Antrim, without regard to age, gender, sexual orientation, ability, ethnic identity, nationality and religious or political opinion.

The Year in Review:

- The centre welcomed 44 members and numerous visitors throughout the year.
- To continue providing a competitive sporting platform for members the centre was affiliated to Northern Ireland Provincial Bowling Association (NIPBA) and the Irish Bowling Association (IBA), with two teams once again taking part in league fixtures. The A Team competed in NIPBA Division 1 with matches being played on a Tuesday night. Our B Team competed in NIPBA Division 3 with matches being played on a Wednesday night. It was a learning season as both teams finished in a respectable mid table position with many new bowlers gaining experience of competitive matchplay and enjoying the social benefits of being part of a team.

Due to the difficulty of fielding two teams on a Saturday, the committee took the decision to enter only one team into the IBA Intermediate Cup. Unfortunately the club was defeated in the 1st round by Dunbarton B. Although the result was disappointing the day was an enjoyable experience from a social perspective as the club hosted a meal in Ballycastle Golf Club for the team and our visitors with many non playing members also in attendance.

- Two pre-season friendlies were held. Our annual fixture with Dunluce took place in Ballycastle and a coach trip to Larne Bowling & Lawn Tennis Club was organised with 20 members attending, an enjoyable day was had by all as our hosts provided a generous post match supper and mid game refreshments.
- The club held Fun Rinks on a Monday evening. This was open to members and non members of all ages and abilities, providing an opportunity to play bowls in a casual, less competitive environment and promoting the positive mental and physical health benefits of light exercise and group participation. The rinks ran throughout the summer months and were extremely well attended.

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- A new playing kit was purchased with shirts, jackets, hoodies, bottoms and shorts available. The club made the decision to subsidise the kit for members with the remaining funds being generated from sponsorships kindly provided by Ballycastle Credit Union Ltd and Agri Plant Spares Capecastle.
- The community hall was made available to various local groups and organisations throughout the year with the rental helping to generate additional income. Sonkei Judo Club continued to make weekly use of the facility providing Judo classes for both adults and children. The Iam Project held several events for the public, helping to raise awareness and provide support to those who may be experiencing mental health issues. Solas Moyle, Rathmoyle Resource Centre, Ballycastle Men's Shed and St Patrick's & St Brigid's Indoor Bowling Club all made use of the centre and its facilities for social gatherings, public events, meetings and sporting purposes.

It became apparent that post pandemic, local clubs and societies were struggling to find suitable space in the Ballycastle area to continue operating and we were delighted to be able to host and facilitate their needs. It is fantastic to see so many varied groups and individuals making use of our facilities, confirming the centre's appeal to people from all walks of life.

- The centre provided a platform for local businesses to support the club by purchasing advertising signage, with 8 establishments availing of the grounds with sponsorship payments contributing to our annual running costs. The trustees express their thanks to those who continue to support the centre.
- Taking part in "The Big Community Vote" we were successful in a shared bid with Ballycastle Utd Football Club, Ballycastle Tennis Club, McQuillan's GAC and the Causeway Giant's American Football Team to obtain new sports equipment. In an attempt to encourage younger members and make the game of bowls more accessible the funds were used to purchase target wedges and mats.
- Over 20 school children from Cross & Passion College attended the green for an introductory session of bowling. The group were joined by coaches Gary & Donna McCloy of Ballybrakes Bowls, who set up drills and games for the pupils to take part in. The afternoon was used to help foster and promote the inclusivity of the game and to help address the stigma that bowls is a sport for an older generation.
- The year concluded with an end of season dinner and awards night for members of the centre, family members & friends. We were kindly hosted by Ballycastle Golf Club and the evening provided a final opportunity for members to come together in a social capacity, celebrate our individual and collective achievements, enjoy a meal and a disco.

The trustees would like to express their gratitude to all those who held office during the year, volunteered on committees or simply gave up their time to assist with the running of the centre.

A review of the charity's financial position at the end of the year:

In the financial year 2022 to 2023, The Charity had an income of £8929 and an expenditure of £7879. There are no funds by the charity that are materially in deficit.

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Sean Molloy - Honorary Treasurer
1st February 2024

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Independent Examiner's Report

Ballycastle Bowling & Social Recreation Centre
Mary Street, Ballycastle, County Antrim, BT54 6QH

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Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Ballycastle Bowling & Social Recreation Centre

I report on the accounts of Ballycastle Bowling & Social Recreation Centre for the year ended 31st October 2023

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of examiner's statement

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept as required by section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Justin Scullion', is written over a horizontal line.

Justin Scullion

Financial Risk & Compliance Manager - Ballycastle Credit Union

Address: 246 Kilraughts Road, Ballymoney, County Antrim, BT53 8JW

Date: 21st February 2024

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BBSRC Accounts 2017/2018

Opening Balance 5th Nov 2017 £2701

Income

Deposits to bank £7304

Will Mrs R £2000
 Council £870
 Members £2980
 Ladies £500
 Visitors £451
 Rinks £243
 Competitions £160
 President £50
 Association dinner £54 (3x£18)

Total in £7308

Closing Balance 5th Nov 2018 £4162

Samuel J. Craig

Expenditure

By cheque £5794
 By cash £50

Water NI £199
 Power NI £193
 J Mckinley £34
 Greenkeeping £1680
 Iba Nipba £253
 40 x £7 + £60 £340
 Insurance £1160
 J Pollock £204
 McCarrol £102
 Golf Club £200
 Sand golfclub £353
 Seeding coring £1040
 J Pollock £36
 L Boyle cash £50

Total ex £5844

Michael J. Dennis
 Hon. Treas.

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Secretary's Report 2018

At the outset, mention must be made of the passing in October of our esteemed Member Dan McAfee, a Past President, Selector and Committee Member. Dan was a true Gentleman and highly respected within bowling circles, anything requiring attention was never too much trouble. Deepest Sympathy is extended to his Wife Annie and Family and also to any of our Members who have suffered bereavement during the past Season. Good wishes to any of our Members who are suffering ill health at present.

Without doubt, 2018 has been the Ballycastle Club's most successful year to date. However, at one point we never thought we would get the Season off the ground as a result of 'The beast from the east,' with tons of sand deposited on the green. Sincere thanks go to Ballycastle Golf Club for all their help and to any Members who were able to come along and assist. Thanks also to the Members who came and cleaned out the ditches and those who helped clean up the premises, also to Francis for power washing prior to Opening. Our Official Opening was again held on the first night of the Rinks. A good attendance of members were present to see President, Freddie McCandless deliver the first bowl and officially open the Green for another Season. His good wife, Lady Captain Elizabeth delivered the first bowl on behalf of the Ladies Club. With the Centre Flag unfurled and after a few ends of bowls, we retired to the Pavilion for refreshments.

This year we had 5 new members join the Men's Club in S McCormick, F Regan, J Brennan, J McKinley and F McGinn. It was great to have them join and we wish them every success in the future.

With regard to the bowls as already mentioned, 2018 proved to be an epic year for both teams in the Centre. In respect of the Irish Cup, Ballycastle had tremendous Cup run finishing Runners up in the Irish Intermediate Cup. It all began way back in May with a bye in the 1st round followed by a 2nd round game home to Cavehill winning by 85 shots to 62. The 3rd round saw Ballycastle travel to Forth River winning by 86 shots to 74. The Quarter final was a local derby travelling away to City of Derry on 28th July to play on water logged green. Following a break mid game to allow the green to soak, we eventually won by 79 shots to 68 under very difficult conditions. Semi-finals saw us travel to the neutral venue of Larne to play North Down. This was a very close affair with some big bowls played in the closing stages to win by 76 shots to 69. Finals day saw us travel to Old Bleach to play Ballywalter, last years runner ups. This was a very fast swinging green, and we were able to keep it fairly tight till the closing stages and then it slowly crept away from us to lose by the narrow margin of 10 shots 78 to 68.

Naturally we were disappointed and we all gave it our best, on that particular day it wasn't to be. As was said at the time 2nd in Ireland wasn't bad for the wee Club from Ballycastle! All those involved should be very proud of their achievement. From a Club perspective, thanks must go to those who rearranged work and personal commitments to ensure we had the strongest team possible on the green during the Cup campaign and for the special effort made to turn out in full Club dress on such an important occasion, done both yourselves and the Club proud. The B Team were able to play in the Irish Junior Cup this Year, travelling away to Banbridge, losing by 84 shots to 66.

In respect of the Leagues, once again we competed in Senior League Two and came out on top as League Champions with 75 points having won 11 of our 14 games and drawn 1. Ballycastle B had also a very creditable League campaign winning 8 of their 14 matches with 54.5 points, narrowly missing out on runner up spot by 3.5 points.

Within the NIPBA, our Cup campaign was still very much to the fore. These were played on a home and away basis. The Senior Two Team reached the final of the Cupples Cup with wins over City of Derry and Fairhill and then defeated Castlerock in the Final played in Ballymoney, by 86 shots to 43.

Ballycastle B was also hot on the Cup trail in the Hyland Donaghy Cup. Again played home and away, they had a tremendous first round victory over Culrathain, Junior 2 League Champions in the 1st Round, followed by an equally strong performance against Riada in the semi-final. Ballycastle B travelled to Limavady to play Omagh and came away winners by 94 shots to 54. This was a super performance by Ballycastle B and all involved are to be congratulated on their victory, bringing yet another trophy to Ballycastle. Ballycastle also competed in the 5 man team Competition, and reached the semi-finals of both the Kane and Mullan Cups, being defeated by Dunluce and Cookstown respectively.

The Ballycastle Club's success at Irish and Provincial Level saw us being nominated for the Senior Team award in the Moyle Sports Awards. We won the Moyle Heat being presented with an engraved award and then put through to the final stages in the Causeway Coast and Glens Sports Awards in the Lodge Hotel, Coleraine, unfortunately losing out to Coleraine Football Club.

My thanks go to all those who were prepared to take their cars to the away matches and to those Members who gave up their time to float between both teams. This year again a number of players took part in the Veterans League Rinks and enjoyed competing in this competition

I must thank the selection panel of President Freddie, Vice-President Andy, Joseph, Turlough and Michael for all their help in assisting me guide the respective teams through the League and Cup programme. A special word of thanks to Bob for taking charge of the B Team.

The Monday night fun rinks were well attended again and I would thank Alice and Jim Burns for organising

the rinks during the Season and to those who provided prizes each week.

The Ladies Section competed in the Weekly Mixed Triples Competition competing for the Charles Coyle Memorial Cup. This provided the Ladies with competitive bowls and thanks to all the Male Members for taking part on Friday Afternoons. Congratulations to Alice Burns, Tommy Grainger and Francis Regan on winning this competition and thanks to Bob for organising and running this Competition.

Thanks must go to Lady Captain Elizabeth McCandless, Hon Secretary Lyn Chestnutt, Treasurer Rosaleen Donnelly, Catering Officer Catherine Grainger and all the Members of the Ladies Club who give of their time to cater at home matches, provide food for other Centre functions and also through their financial support.

Once again the Club Competitions and Doak Cup were keenly contested and all Competitions were completed before closing.

We held our Green Keeper's Benefit on Saturday 15th September. There was a disappointing turnout but those present enjoyed a rinks competition and were served a lovely tea in the Pavilion.

Our sincere thanks go to green keeper David who has carried out his duties very efficiently with the green playing very well. This year we were able to get hollow tinning, top dressing and reseeding done, so should improve the playing surface next year. My thanks to Brian McKay for all his assistance in helping maintain the green.

May I thank all Officials and Committees for their assistance in running the Centre this Season. Sincere thanks must go to President Freddie, who gave his attention to many issues during the Season and has been at the helm of the Club's most successful year. I also wish Freddie a speedy recovery following illness. Many thanks to Vice-President Andy and Assistant Secretary Sean for their help throughout the Season. Might I also mention and thank Honorary Treasurer, Michael Dennis for all his assistance once again and in dealing with the Centre's financial affairs so efficiently for yet another year. Michael hasn't been in the best of form in the last while, but hopefully now has the worst over him and we wish him well for a swift recovery. Sincere thanks go to all those, too numerous to mention, who slip in and carry out various tasks around the Club which make such a difference.

We have had a very successful year, however success has brought promotion to Senior 1 bowls once again, an arena which we were in before and no doubt will bring its own challenges on the green. I have exhausted all avenues to try and get our Saturday games on an evening, all to no avail. From a Club perspective, the main problem is the transfer of players, on a substitute basis between Senior 1 and Junior 2 and vice versa is now very very restrictive and will require a degree of commitment from Senior players to keep the Senior team going. The use of substitutes will take careful handling so as not to jeopardise the B Teams performance in Cups and League. However, we have faced challenges before and is not in our nature to lie down to these. If the players available in our senior panel were all fielding, there is no doubt we could cause an upset here and there.

The Club's launch into Social Media with our Facebook Page, thanks to Mark and Sean, posting Club information and photographs has opened up a whole new avenue of publicity for the Club in the wider area. As administrators of the page, seeing the hits or views run into the thousands is amazing. This can be only good for ourselves and would ask firstly all members to encourage anyone who is interested to come along. Secondly, use this new avenue of publicity to invite people within this wider viewing audience to come along and have a go.

You will have saw from the minutes we were hoping to get a Grand Draw underway. Obtaining sponsorship has been very difficult with many refusals. I am pleased to say we are slowly getting there and if we could obtain another couple of good sums we will be ready to get things moving. If any of you are aware of any businesses who would like to get involved, please let me know.

The success we have had this year just doesn't happen. It is a result of the commitment from every Member within both teams, their bowling ability, hunger for success and respect for their teammates within their Club, and indeed for their Club, culminating in four Cups at Irish and Provincial level, topped with a sports award. I trust this commitment will be carried into 2019.

S. Craig.

Samuel J Craig
Hon Secretary
14/12/18

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To whom it may concern

Re Ballycastle Bowling and Social Recreation Centre

I have examined the Financial Accounts of the above Centre for their financial year
1st Nov 2017 to 31st Oct 2018 and I believe the audit evidence is appropriate and sufficient
to provide the basis of my opinion.

In my opinion the financial position of the above named Centre at 31st Oct 2018 is in
accordance with the International Auditing Standards (UK and NI).

Name Dr Seán O'Halloran

Retired University Lecturer

Signed Seán O'Halloran

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