

The Causeway Yarnspinnners

Northern Ireland · Charity number 102626

Details

Status Overdue

Registered 2016-05-25

Register [View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register](#)

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Activities

Purposes: a) to advance education and increase knowledge and appreciation of the art and heritage of storytelling in the Causeway area b) to revive the interest among storytellers and the general public in the once rich cultural and traditional heritage of storytelling c) to increase the skills and confidence of storytellers to enable them to continue with their presentation of stories d) to provide opportunities for storytellers, both professional and amateur, as well as the general public, to come together to share their knowledge and skills and to increase enjoyment and appreciation in the sharing of stories e) to establish a firm group of storytellers and to develop their confidence and skills f) to bring together people of differing cultural backgrounds, especially older members of the community and those in isolated areas, to foster greater understanding, reduce racism and rural isolation.

What the charity does: The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science

How the charity works: Arts,Cultural,Education/training,Heritage/historical

Who the charity helps: General public,Older people,Voluntary and community sector

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees	
2019-12-31		£622	£411	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Colum Mccloskey		
Maud Steele		
Pearl Hutchinson		

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Accounts

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of The Causeway Yarnspinners

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Basis of independent examiner's report

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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.

Name: Derek Powell

Relevant professional qualification or body: Accounting Technician

Address: Causeway Rural & Urban Network, 1 Brook Street, Coleraine, BT52 1PW

Date: 14 September 2020

The Causeway Yarnspinners
Statement of Receipts and Payments
Year Ended 31 December 2019

	Restricted	2019 Unrestricted	Total	Total 2018
Receipts				
Grants				
The Right Hon Irish Society				500.00
Donations (note 1)		190.00	190.00	190.00
Subscriptions - members		432.48	432.48	468.60
Subtotal (Gross Income)	<u>0.00</u>	<u>622.48</u>	<u>622.48</u>	<u>1158.60</u>
Receipt from sale of assets		0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Receipts	<u>0.00</u>	<u>622.48</u>	<u>622.48</u>	<u>1158.60</u>
Payments				
Room Hire/Refreshments		206.00	206.00	147.00
Equipment			0.00	294.00
Donations (note 2)		100.00	100.00	20.00
Seminars/Workshops		95.00	95.00	110.00
Sundry Expenses			0.00	30.00
Travel		10.00	10.00	290.00
Total Payments	<u>0.00</u>	<u>411.00</u>	<u>411.00</u>	<u>891.00</u>
Net Receipts / (payments)	0.00	211.48	211.48	267.60
Surplus / (deficit) for the year	0.00	211.48	211.48	267.60
Reconciliation of Funds				
Balance brought forward	<u>0.00</u>	<u>311.25</u>	<u>684.25</u>	<u>43.65</u>
Balance carried forward	<u>0.00</u>	<u>522.73</u>	<u>895.73</u>	<u>311.25</u>

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Year Ended 31 December 2020 Typing error - 2019

	2019			
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total	Total 2018
Cash at Bank & in Hand 01/01/19	0.00	311.25	311.25	43.65
Surplus / (deficit) for year	0.00	211.48	211.48	267.60
Cash at Bank & in Hand 31 /03/20	0.00	522.73	522.73	311.25
Bank & Cash Balances @ 31/03/20				
Bank deposit accounts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bank current accounts	0.00	522.73	522.73	311.25
Cash in hand	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	522.73	522.73	311.25

Other Assets

Sound Equipment 294.00

Derek Powell
Finance Officer
Causeway Rural & Urban Network

Approved by the trustees on 31 August 2020 and signed on their behalf by

Christine Turner
Chair

Colum McCloskey
Treasurer

Notes:

1 Donations Received

Castlerock Community Assn	20.00	20.00
Kilrea WI		40.00
Boveedy Club		50.00
Garvagh Diamond Club	60.00	60.00
Ballyscullion Young at Heart		20.00
St Pauls Articlave	50.00	
Ballysally	35.00	
Jolly Mixtures, Ballysally	25.00	
	190.00	190.00

2 Donations

Cottage Nursing Home		20.00
Belfast friendship Club	100.00	
	100.00	20.00

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Annual Accounts for the year

1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018

Charity no: 102626

Trustees:

Christine Turner - Chair

Marjory Geary

Colum McCloskey - Treasurer

Pearl Hutchinson

Michael Turner - Secretary

Maud Steele

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Receipts & Payments Account 1st January 2018 to 31st December 2018

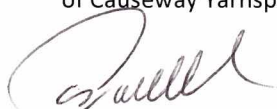
Receipts	2018	
Balance as at 01 Jan 18	43.65	
Grants:		
The Right Hon Irish Society	500.00	
Donations		
Members Subscriptions	190.00	
Fundraising	468.60	
Total Income Received	1158.60	0.00
Expenditure		
Room Hire/Refreshments	147.00	
Travel	290.00	
Equipment	294.00	
Donations	20.00	
Seminars/workshops	110.00	
Sundry Expenses	30.00	
Total Expenditure	891.00	0.00
Surplus of Income/Expenditure	267.60	0.00
Account Balance as at 31st December 2018	311.25	0.00

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1st January 2018 to 31st December 2018

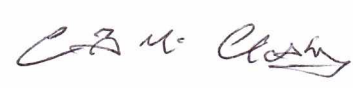
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2018

Current Assets	<u>2018</u>	
Bank	311.25	0.00
Cash	0.00	0.00
Debtors	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	311.25	0.00
Creditors	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Net Current Assets	311.25	0.00

This income and expenditure report has been produced from the information supplied by the committee of Causeway Yarnspinners



Derek Powell
 Finance Officer
 Causeway Rural & Urban Network



Christine Turner
 Chair *Christine Turner*
 The Causeway Yarnspinners

Colum McCloskey
 Treasurer
 The Causeway Yarnspinners

2018

2017

Receipts*Donations Received*

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Kilrea WI	40.00	
Boveedy Club	50.00	
Garvagh Diamond Club	60.00	
Ballyscullion Young at Heart	20.00	
	<u>190.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Expenditure*Equipment*

Portable PA System	294.00	
	<u>294.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Donations Made

Cottage Nursing Home	20.00	
	<u>20.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

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Annual report

The Causeway Yarnspinnners Trustees' Report January 1st to December 31st 2018

The Trustees of the Causeway Yarnspinnners are pleased to submit their Annual General Report and Accounts for the period January to December 2018. Throughout 2018 the Causeway Yarnspinnners continued to meet on the second Monday of each month.

Venues

Mostly we have met in the Methodist Hall, Coleraine, but for several months we met at The Cottage Nursing Home due to one of our members being there.

We were invited to provide storytelling entertainment for:

- Boveedy Springwell 55+ Club
- St Paul's Life and Soul group, Articlave (Roberta is a member)
- Garvagh Museum
- Garvagh Diamond Club
- Ballyscullion Young at Heart
- Castlerock Community Association (George provided the music)
- Kilrea Town Hall – The Museum Service

Clubs give us a donation if they have funding. When one of our members who is a member of another organisation invites us, we do not take any money.

Our June outing was very kindly organised by the writer and broadcaster, Ken McCormack. We had guided tours/talks at Dunmore House, Carrigans, Co Donegal, St Columb's House, and Prehen House.

Our December meeting was held in our usual hall, with 27 attending, including friends, invited guests, Coleraine Mayor Brenda Chivers, Edward Montgomery from The Honourable The Irish Society and Liz Weir who is the NI Libraries' 'Storyteller-in-Residence'.

Numbers

Our attendance is regularly about 14 to 16, plus guests, again a strong core.

Activities and Skills Development

As well as having craic and company, members are encouraged to find/write different materials, come up with ideas for stories, poems, reminiscing themes. Our range is most interesting. One of our members did a story-telling course organised by Liz Weir, and hopefully others may do so in the future. In November Kate Murphy (leader of the Portrush Writers Group) did an engaging workshop with us.

In February Sarah Carson from the Museum Service approached us to propose a project about Sam Henry, well-known for his contributions to local newspapers, and his collection of photographs, stories and folk songs. A group of seven members met regularly for several months and in November, in Kilrea Town Hall, they put on a most informative and amazing evening of stories, songs and music connected with Sam Henry. Mr Henry's grandson was there and was obviously very pleased, and moved by the evening's content. Almost 100 people attended.

In September four members attended the launch of The Armstrong Storytelling Bursary in conjunction with Liz Weir as Northern Ireland Libraries' Storyteller-in-Residence.

Some members are now often on the Radio Ulster programme "The Time of our Lives". Three members continue to do storytelling based projects with Garvagh Museum. We also promote and attend other related events both locally and province-wide.

Finances

We continued with the £2 contribution from each member attending each meeting. We received £60 from Boveedy, £30 from Ballyscullion, £20 from Castlerock in donations. In October we were successful in being awarded £500 by The Right Honourable The Irish Society for storytelling workshops, and sound equipment to use when we are invited to other venues. We pay £6 an hour for the use of the Methodist Hall and kitchen facilities. At present we have £420.25 in the bank. Our accounts are checked at CRUN in preparation for submission to the NICC.

Financial Report

Please see attached

Trustees 2018 - 2019

The trustees this year were Christine Turner, Mick Turner, Maud Steel, Colum McCloskey, Marjorie Geary and Pearl Hutchinson and we thank them for their efforts this year.

Trustees for 2019 - 2020

Two additional Trustees are added for 2019 - 2020, Denise Munce and Patrick Breslin

Signed: *Christine Turner*

Date: 11th February 2019

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Name: Derek Powell

Relevant professional qualification or body: Accounting Technician

Address: Causeway Rural & Urban Network, 1 Brook Street, Coleraine, BT52 1PW

Date: 21 May 19

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Trustees' Report January 1st to December 31st, 2017

About the Charity

The Trustees of the Causeway Yarnspinnners are pleased to submit their Annual General Report and Accounts for the period January to December 2017. The Yarnspinnners meet once a month on the second Monday from 2pm to 3.30pm to share all sorts of different categories of stories. Through our members we have received invitations to entertain other organisations! The tradition of the oral word still has a place in today's fast changing world. We do also share promoting of related events locally and throughout the Province.

Venues

Mostly we have met in the Methodist Hall, Coleraine, and here are the other places we have been invited to, some for our monthly meeting, some as extras.

- * Rothesay Court Sheltered Housing for the second time
- * Agherton Grange for a second visit
- * Coleraine Library with Liz Weir (NI Libraries' Storyteller-in-Residence)
- * Garvagh Diamond Club (about 50 attending!)
- * Castlerock Community Association
- * Kilrea WI
- * Coleraine Probus Club

Our June outing was a guided tour of Seamus Heaney country, lunch at the SH HomePlace Café, Bellaghy, followed by a self-guided tour of the exhibition. Our December outing was to have lunch at Stormont, where we also had a guided tour and an interesting 45 minutes with MLA Claire Sugden.

Membership

Apart from occasional drop-ins and a large number for the writer Tony Macaulay in July, our attendance is around the 10 to 14 per meeting. This ensures the Yarnspinnners have a strong core. To ensure "new blood", drop-ins are encouraged, and we are always looking for new members. Usually 6 to 8 members have gone to the places we have been invited as entertainment. Our members are aged between 60 and 90, although people of any age are welcome.

Activities and Skills Development

As always, members are encouraged to develop their skills in storytelling/reminiscing at their own pace and with their own choices. Throughout the year it has been interesting to see these processes develop. Each month we choose a theme. Again there is a wide range of skills being employed in writing imaginary or real event stories, personal experiences, telling funny anecdotes, reciting all sorts of poems, and of course good listening skills. Something for everyone. Through being invited to take storytelling to different community groups, members have been growing in confidence.

Our speakers/workshop trainers were:

- * Jane Talbot who led us through different ways to remember and to use stories.
- * Tony Macaulay sharing his stories, books and observations on life, growing up and living in Belfast.
- * Eugene Kielt talking about Seamus Heaney's life and poetry.
- * George Murphy telling stories and singing.
- * MLA Claire Sugden explaining the workings of Stormont.

Financial Report

Our income this year was in the form of donations from our membership and donations were gratefully received from Kilrea Women's Institute and Castlerock Community Association. We raised £793.20 in total. Expenditure included Storytellers, workshops and an outing to the Home Place in Bellaghy

Trustees

The trustees this year were Christine Turner, Mick Turner, Maud Steel, Colum McCloskey, Marjorie Geary and Pearl Hutchinson and we thank them for their efforts this year.

Signed Christine Turner January 8th 2018

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Name: Jean Bruce

Relevant professional qualification or body:

Address: Glebe House, 271 Victoria Road. Bready,
Co. Tyrone BT 28 0ED

Date: 14.03.2018
