

# Knights Wheelchair Basketball Club

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103381

## Details

Known as	Knights WBC
Status	Received
Registered	2015-11-03
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register</a>

## Contact

Address	15 Kilbright Road Carrowdore Newtownards BT22 2hq BT22 2HQ
Phone	07768781357
Website	<a href="http://www.niknightswbc.btck.co.uk">www.niknightswbc.btck.co.uk</a>

## Activities

**Purposes:** The purpose of the club shall be the promotion of health and wellbeing of people with disabilities and their families through the sport of wheelchair basketball in Northern Ireland.

**What the charity does:** The advancement of health or the saving of lives, The advancement of amateur sport, The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

**How the charity works:** Disability, Education/training, Gender, Human rights/equality, Medical/health/sickness, Sport/recreation, Volunteer development, Youth development

**Who the charity helps:** Carers, Children (5-13 year olds), Men, Mental health, Parents, Physical disabilities, Unemployed/low income, Voluntary and community sector, Volunteers, Women, Youth (14-25 year olds)

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£6,724	£9,400	£0	0
2024-08-31	£3,084	£3,505	£0	0

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Justin Mciroy		
Mr Luke Marshall		
Mr Mark Fenton		
Mr Martin Mcgrath		
Mrs Mary Mccabe		
Mrs Sarah Beattie		
Rev Colin Davis		

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# Accounts

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**Northern Ireland Knights**  
**Wheelchair Basketball Club**

**Income & Expenditure Report**

**Year Ended 31st August 2025**

*Stanley Woods & Co.*  
Alexander House  
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# NI Knights Wheelchair Basketball Club

## Income & Expenditure Report Year Ended 31st August 2025

Opening Balances:

Bank of Ireland Current Acc 12,831.06  
Credit on Bol Credit Card 185.53

Subscriptions 3,274.54  
Grants 300.00  
Donations 1,545.90  
Gift Aid 157.61

35th Anniversary 1,390.00  
Bank interest 14.86  
Sundry 41.71

Accountants fee 216.00  
Equipment 751.40  
DSNI League 1,614.01  
Others 180.00  
Bank fees 130.90  
Insurance & Affiliations 155.99  
Officials 560.00  
35th Anniversary 5,345.00  
Christmas Treats 95.85  
End of Season 187.48  
Display Banners 163.98

Closing Balances:

Bank of Ireland Current Acc 10,340.60  
Credit on Bol Credit Card 0.00

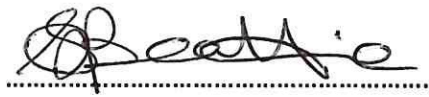
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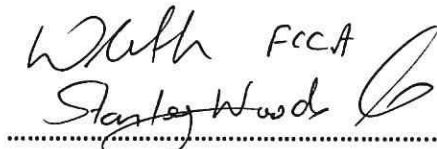


Hon. Treasurer: Rev. Colin Davis



Committee Admin: Sarah Beattie

Checked and Approved by:



Stanley Woods & Co.

Alexander House

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20th November 2025

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# NI Knights Wheelchair Basketball Club

## Income & Expenditure Report Year Ended 31st August 2023

### Opening Balances:

Bank of Ireland Current Acc	13,532.87
Credit on BoI Credit Card	235.53

Subscriptions	671.05
Grants	300.00
Donations	256.21
Gift Aid	139.99
Knights clothing	138.00

Accountants fee	192.00
GB League	100.00
DSNI League	562.50
Others	614.79
Bank fees	310.33
Club insurance	55.99

### Closing Balances:

Bank of Ireland Current Acc	13,227.51
Credit on BoI Credit Card	210.53

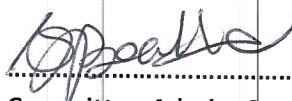
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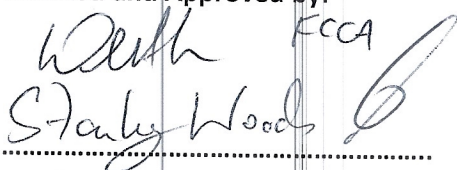


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24th April 2024

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## NI KNIGHTS WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL CLUB ANNUAL REPORT

**Prepared by:** Colin Davis  
**Position held:** Hon. Treasurer  
**Address:** 15 Kilbriart Road, Carrowdore  
Newtownards, BT22 2HQ  
**Mobile:** 07768781357  
**Charity No.** 103381  
**Date:** Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

### **Governance:**

Knights WBC are members of Disability Sport Northern Ireland (DSNI), Irish Wheelchair Association Sport (IWA) and British Wheelchair Basketball (BWB). All of the aforementioned organisations act as governing bodies for our various teams.

We have a nominated child protection officer (Mrs Mary McCabe), a policy covering child protection and all of our coaches and committee members have had Access NI enhanced checks.

The Club has obtained the Clubmark Scheme Award.

### **Committee for Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023:**

**Chair:** *vacant*  
**Hon. Treasurer:** Rev Colin Davis  
**Hon. Secretary:** Mr Mark Fenton  
**Members:** Mrs Mary McCabe  
Mr Luke Marshall  
Mr Justin McIlroy  
Mrs Sarah Beattie

### **Foundation & Charitable Aims:**

The Knights WBC was founded in 1990 and officially became a registered charity in 2017. It was set up to provide opportunities for disabled people to get involved in team sport. The Club promotes a healthy lifestyle for disabled people and encourage social inclusion. The Club also welcomes participation and inclusion of able bodied members as well. Through the sport of wheelchair basketball we aim to improve the physical health and wellbeing of people with disabilities and their families in Northern Ireland.

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## **Report for Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023**

Whilst fundraising takes place at a variety of times throughout the club's financial year, the actual playing season is usually September to May.

This past year we have continued where able to improve the physical health and mental wellbeing of our members by providing sporting and social opportunities. Training takes place each week at the Hammer Youth Centre, Belfast on Thursdays. This consists of two sessions, the first for junior and developing members and also new members. Those who simply want to try it out are always welcome too. The second session on Thursday evenings is for senior players and those who are playing competitively.

Following new requirements, the Club now has a Covid Officer and appropriate protocols need to be followed to minimise risk for Club members.

Being a disability sport club and given the nature of disabilities of our members, some are considered in the vulnerable category so it is imperative the Club takes this into account, whilst also providing every opportunity.

The Knights are no longer able to run a team in the BWB GB League, but Disability Sport Northern Ireland now run a NI Team in this League (through their additionally run performance training sessions) and some of our members participate in this. Following the decision during the 2019/20 season to withdraw from the IWA Irish League, this leaves the newly organised by DSNI, NI League as the main opportunity for competitive wheelchair basketball. Through high level training run by DSNI, some of our members have competed with great success at the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham, representing Northern Ireland and also at other national level competitions in both ladies and mens teams.

This along with previous members who have competed at the Olympics with the GB squad, won a World Championship and even gone on to play wheelchair basketball professionally are great examples to inspire members and show what is possible, if people have the talent and the dedication and wish to pursue such goals.

In the past the Club has had various social events, including an End of Season Awards. Members have also been nominated for and sometimes won other sports awards (e.g. Belfast City Council and Mary Peter's Awards)

As members develop there is also the opportunity to enhance their own organisational and life skills by serving on our Club Committee or hoping to organise some of our activities.

Our playing membership has ranged from as young as 8 to 60 and come from all sides of the NI Community. Club benefits can be enjoyed by everyone, regardless of age, religion, ethnicity or disability.

The Knights works closely in partnership with Disability Sport NI as won of their flagship organisations to promote disability sport, most recently to help promote the disability hubs being set up in the different council areas. We are also helping them to promote other Wheelchair Basketball Clubs within Northern Ireland with a view to having our own national league and providing more opportunities for people to participate in the sport.

A number of our members have attained their Level 1 & 2 Coaching Certificates and we also have some who are trained up through DSNI as Match Table Officials.

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Over the years we have been fortunate enough to also have had various sponsors, whose generosity has helped with kit sponsorship, transport and tournament sponsorship.

During the past season the following companies and organisations have sponsored us in regard to both playing leisure kits:

- People Playbook

### **Financial Statement**

Due to a large donation six or seven years ago, the Knights has been in a secure financial situation and this continues to be the case. The withdrawal from the GB League three years ago has significantly reduced our annual expenditure and so although this year our expenditure was slightly higher than income, the Club remains in a very comfortable financial position. Club Income & Expenditure accounts can be seen on the Charity Commission NI website, along with the inspecting accountant's statement.

Signed:



Completed on behalf of the Trustees by Rev Colin Davis (Hon. Treasurer), Knights WBC

**Knights Wheelchair Basketball Club**

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# Annual return

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**Northern Ireland Knights Wheelchair Basketball Club**

**Annual Report and Statement of Income & Expenditure**

**For the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023**

**Independent Examiners Report**

**Charity Number 103381**

## Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of NI Knights Wheelchair Basketball Club

### **Unqualified report for a charity that is not a company and income of £250,000 or less**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023, which are set out on the statement of income & expenditure.

### **Respective responsibilities of the charity trustee 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 s65 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Commission under s65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

I have examined your charity accounts as required under s65 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 s65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My 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:

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- That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
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**Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters listed above and, in connection with the following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that need to be brought to your attention.

Stanley Woods & Company  
Certified Accountants  
Alexander House  
49/51 Church Street  
Newtownards  
BT23 4AN

Signed:

*W. Wood FCA*  
*Stanley Woods*

Date: 24th April 2024

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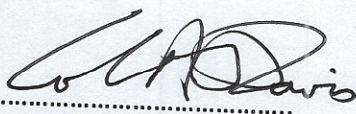
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Bank of Ireland Current Acc	11,151.26	
Credit on Bol Credit Card	274.92	
Subscriptions	1,008.00	
Grants	300.00	
Donations	929.47	DSNI League 90.00
Gift Aid	379.77	NI League 469.72
Sponsored Climb	1,470.00	GB League 100.00
Quiz Night	688.00	Irish League 0.00
Knights clothing	1,447.00	Others 559.14
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		Knights clothing 2,528.00
Closing Balances:		
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Credit on Bol Credit Card		235.53
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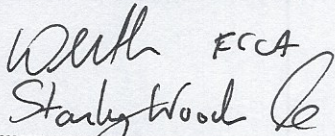


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Hon. Chair: Mr Neil Carlisle

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23rd March 2023

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This past year we have continued where able to improve the physical health and mental wellbeing of our members by providing sporting and social opportunities. Following Covid-19 regular training restarted in a more normal way in Sept 2021 each week at the Hammer Youth Centre, Belfast on Thursdays. This consists of two sessions, the first for junior and developing members and also new members. Those who simply want to try it out are always welcome too. The second session on Thursday evenings is for senior players and those who are playing competitively. Following new requirements, the Club now has a Covid Officer and appropriate protocols need to be followed to minimise risk for Club members.

Being a disability sport club and given the nature of disabilities of our members, some are considered in the vulnerable category so it is imperative the Club takes this into account, whilst also providing every opportunity.

With one or two key members stepping down or moving away the Knights decided not to participate in the BWB GB League this season. This has significantly reduced the annual costs which can be seen in our accounts.

Following the decision during the 2019/20 season to withdraw from the IWA Irish League, this leaves the newly organised by DSNI, NI League as the main opportunity for competitive wheelchair basketball. That said, DSNI also run a performance training session on a separate evening which some of our members participate in and through this competed with great success at the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham, representing Northern Ireland.

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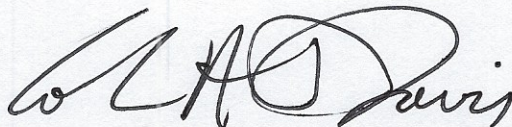
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*W. Wood FICA*  
*Stanley Wood*

Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023