

Carrickfergus Musical Festival Association

Northern Ireland · Charity number 105753

Details

Known as	Carrick Music Festival CMFA
Status	Received
Registered	2018-01-25
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

Address	16 Harwood Park Carrickfergus Bt38 7Lz BT38 7LZ
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Activities

Purposes: The Object of CMFA is to advance the education of the public and to promote the arts of speech & drama and music in the Carrickfergus area and its environs [hereinafter called the “area of benefit”] and in particular: a. To encourage people, especially but not exclusively the young, to become actively involved in an annual community-based festival on dates set by the Committee b. To promote the arts for the benefit of the general public in the area of benefit c. To encourage the appreciation of the arts and stimulate the artistic creativity of people in the area of benefit by the provision of artistic performances, training, support and facilities for artistic expression.

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

How the charity works: Arts, Education/training, Volunteer development

Who the charity helps: Children (5-13 year olds), Men, Volunteers, Women, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£6,668	£6,367	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr John Barnett Boyd Mcilwaine		
Mr Noel Alexander Lamont		
Mr. Donald Blair		
Mr. Robin Clinton		
Mr.Ian McMaster		
Mrs Elizabeth (Audrey) Macdonald Stewart		
Mrs Isobel Evelyn Day		
Mrs Kathleen Rodgers		
Mrs Sarah Stella Graham		
Tim		

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 Statement of Income and Expenditure
 01/09/2023 -31/08/2024

	Income	Expenditure
Opening Balance 1/09/2023	9193.09	
Memberships/Bursaries/Donations	1360	
Investment/Bank Interest	1383.04	
Entries	1005	
Grant Comm Foundation	500	
Door/Programmes	1017.31	
Gift Aid	393.69	
Sq Terminal Test	2.94	
Adjudicators/Accompanists		1506.9
Awards Plaques etc		75.5
Postage and Stationery		134
Printing		468
Bursaries/Prize Money		950
Venue Hire-Festival & Committee		789.15
Piano Hire & Tuner		424
Caretakers (Town Hall & Academy)		100
Committee Lunch		195
Gala Night/Festival Expenses		125.24
St Nicholas Church Donation		50
BFFF/NFFF/Federation Conf		897
Bank Fees		30.43
SQ Terminal Card Machine		178.8
Total Expenditure		5924.02
Closing balance 31/08/2024		8931.05
Total	14855.07	14855.07

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checked / verified bank records compared with
10/19/24

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Annual report

CARRICKFERGUS MUSICAL FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION TRUSTEES REPORT
OCTOBER 2024.

Carrickfergus Musical Festival Association provides a platform for amateur musicians, who compete for cups, plaques and medals. Each performer receives a mark and adjudication from an expert in each genre –vocal, choral and instrumental. The group of 10 Trustees and committee members under the direction of an administrator/ music secretary facilitate an annual event using the Dobbs Room in the Town Hall as well as local halls to cater for the larger groups in the choir entries. Entry and entrance to sessions fees are set by the Trustees and these help to finance the annual event, which usually takes place March/April depending on the timing of Easter. Two trustees resigned and two new trustees were elected at the AGM on Wed 2nd October, 2024.

Audrey Stewart Hon Administrator and Trustee of CMFA

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Annual return

Independent Examiner's Report

To

**Mrs Audrey Stewart
Hon Administrator
Carrickfergus Music Festival**

To: The Trustees of Carrickfergus Music Festival Association

I have carried out an independent examination of the accounts of Carrickfergus Music Festival Association for the year ending **31st August 2024** as required under section 65 of the Charity Act and in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65 (9) b of the Charities Act and submit the following report.

Given that your accounts show an income under £250,000, I have carried out my analysis on the basis of the accounts being Receipts and Payments and can confirm that all vouching documentation such as invoices, receipts and correspondence are complete and in order.

All transactions shown in the accounts has met the accounting and reporting regulations under section 65 of the Charities Act, and I am satisfied that the Trustees Annual Report is consistent with my analysis of the accounts.

My examination has also raised no concerns in respect of compliance with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act and no further information is required for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached, so I am happy that the accounts are consistent with the standard required by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland.

In conclusion, I have found no matters that require further attention and would thank the Trustees for their cooperation during my examinations.

Name: Mr John Richardson J.P.

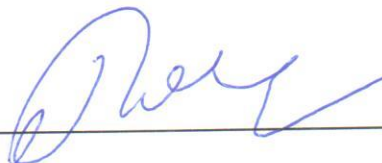
Qualification: Retired Bank Manager

Address: 1 Harwood Gardens

Carrickfergus BT38 7US

Date: 10th September 2024

Signed: _____



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01/09/2022 -31/08/2023

Income		Expenditure	
Opening Balance 1/09/22	10527.42	Adjudicators/Accompanists	1699.6
Membership/Bursaries/Donations	455.32	Awards Plaques etc	220.59
Investment/Bank Interest	1414.52	Postage and Stationery	357.46
Entries	909	Printing	598
Council Grant	1708.67	Bursaries/Prize Money	1050
Door/Programmes	1260.49	Venue Hire-Festival & Committee	994.4
		Piano Hire & Tuner	900
		Town Hall Caretaker	50
		Committee Lunch	168.85
		Gala Night/Committee Expenses	31.61
		Downshire Church Donation	50
		IAC Federation Conf	390
		BIFF/NIFF	539.5
		Bank Fees	32.32
		Total Expenditure	7082.33
		Closing balance 31/08/2023	9193.09
Total	16275.42	Total	16275.42

Accounts examined and vouchers examined.
I confirm that the records are in order and in line
with the bank balance quoted



JUSTICE OF THE PEACE 20/9/23

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Trustees Annual Report for Carrickfergus Musical Festival 2023

The Trustees made the decision in the interests of Health and Safety of volunteers and performers alike to cancel the festival from 2020 to 2022 inclusive. A decision was made by the Trustees to go ahead with a small festival in March 2023 using the smaller Dobbs Room in the Town Hall instead of the larger and more costly Jubilee Hall. This proved to be of immense help to the finances of running a festival.

A grant from Mid and East Antrim was awarded and this helped greatly with the running costs.

Entries were well maintained in the adult Musical theatre classes as well as the piano classes, although solo entries from primary schools were quite sparse. The most successful part of the festival was the adult choir evening and the primary schools choir afternoon. Instrumental classes were supported but not yet at the level of years prior to covid.

The most costly part of running the festival was the employment of professional adjudicators and accompanists . Many of our performers came from outside the immediate Carrickfergus area which brought revenue to the town by way of restaurants and car parks.

Audrey Stewart
Hon. Administrator
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Date: 20th September 2023

Signed: _____

