

Arrochar Mountain Rescue Team



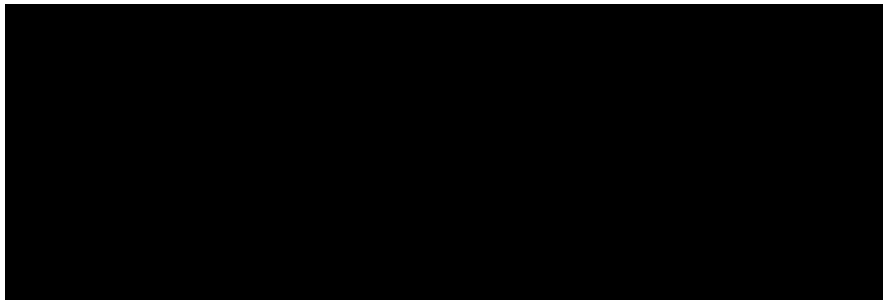
Registered Charity Number SC015793

Annual Trustee Report from Team Leader

September 2024 - September 2025

To be presented at the Annual General Meeting, Monday 1st September 2025

Post holders:



Callouts:

Arrochar MRT had a total of 33 callouts in the period 2024 (Jan-Jan) which is three less than our highest on record (2023). The 33 callouts were recorded as taking up 853.3 hours of members' time. The majority of Team callouts continue to be focussed on the hills immediately north of Arrochar, but there has been a noticeable increase in callouts to the Teams area on the East side of Loch Lomond to casualties on the West Highland Way. This has resulted in a closer working relationship with the Loch Lomond Rescue Boat.

Meetings:

As outlined in the Chairs Report, the Team held the Annual General Meeting and the obligatory number of Ordinary General Meetings attended by a quorate of full team members as well as an EGM to finalise a decision for purchasing a new-to-team vehicle.

Copies of minutes can be requested from the Secretary.

There have also been several meetings held by the executive team and various working groups:

The Executive; Medical; Vehicle WG; Post Extension WG; Training; Opps Group.

SMR meetings have also been attended by the TL, DTL or a member of AMRT Executive.

Team Development and External Relations:

The relationship with Helly Hansen, which has been in place for the previous 3 years has now come to an end. This will free up time for the Team, but will mean that AMRT will need to budget for equipping new members and reequipping current members when kit becomes worn. I would like to thank all those team members who worked hard in developing and maintaining the HH relationship over that period.

Training continues to focus on the core skills needed by all team members, that of personal competency in all mountain conditions, all weathers and at any time. Training is then specialised into areas such as Medical, Extraction, Steep ground, Searching, Driving.

Team members are also encouraged to attend external training which has been delivered by:

- SMR – Rigging; 4x4 driver training; Casualty Care; Search Management; Incident Management; SMR Training Conference.
- Mountain Training – Summer Mountain Leader Training
- HM Coastguard – Helicopter training
- ArgoCat Training – LANTRA Certified
- Medical Training – Ossian Medical

Events:

As per the Chair's report, the team have assisted at many events both in the local area and outside our area of operation. Although this is extra to our core role of searching and rescuing people in the mountains, it is an important part of the Teams engagement with the local communities which we serve, as well as a means of raising money and our profile.

Members have also represented Arrochar Mountain Rescue Team with visits, talks and presentations to a varied and diverse group of audiences', ranging from the Gourock Rotary Club and Dalreoch United Church Ladies Group, through to local school children and youth groups. All this takes time, both in preparation and delivery. I would like to thank everyone for all their efforts in supporting all these events. Although not directly relevant to the core function of the Team, it is a great way to put out the general message of mountain safety to a wider audience, as well as maintain our presence in the community we serve.

Thanks:

Finally, and most importantly, a thanks to everyone in the Team for the time and energy everyone brings to all areas of what the Team does- social; training; kit; development; fundraising; education; and of course search and rescue. As well as all the volunteering on callouts, in training and in running of the charity, I would also like to thank the friends and family of Team members. Without their support, we would be unable to do what we do.



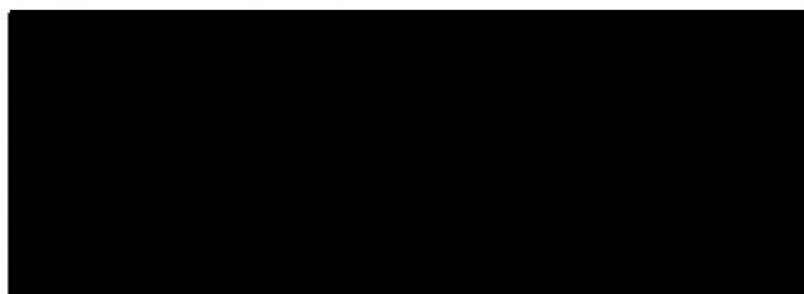
Team Leader

Arrochar Mountain Rescue Team

17/08/25

Arrochar Mountain Rescue Team Income and Expenditure

	1 May 2023 to 30 April 2024		1 May 2024 to 30 April 2025	
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted
Donations / Fundraising	-	22,975.71	-	29,461.59
Grants	20,600.00	-	15,000.00	-
Charities Aid Foundation	-	50.00	-	50.00
Collecting Boxes	-	119.63	-	233.48
Scottish Executive	-	-	-	-
Scottish MR DFT Funding	-	-	-	-
Scottish MR LIBOR Training Fund	7,961.18	-	10,546.50	-
Reclaim of VAT	-	8,716.41	-	4,500.44
Team Equipment Contributions	-	-	-	-
Sale of Equipment	-	-	-	20,243.87
Just Giving Donations	-	7,313.48	-	8,902.68
High Interest Account Interest				481.78
Total Income	<u>28,561.18</u>	<u>39,175.23</u>	<u>25,546.50</u>	<u>63,873.84</u>
TOTAL INCOME		<u>67,736.41</u>		<u>89,420.34</u>
Expenditure				
Building / Post	-	3,035.36	4,436.10	2,298.92
First Aid Equipment	-	-	-	-
Rescue Equipment	20,644.57	2,842.40	2,298.09	1,327.66
Training	-	3,311.83	4,601.13	4,601.11
Vehicle Expenses	-	9,070.73	-	7,541.91
Fuel	-	855.32	-	1,258.17
Just Giving Subs	-	518.12	-	335.31
Insurance	-	665.08	-	712.09
Phone / Broadband	-	1,419.28	-	1,387.63
Electricity	-	3,905.64	-	2,673.79
Gas	-	2,195.08	-	821.21
SMS Pager Costs	-	499.52	-	-
Total Expenditure	<u>20,644.57</u>	<u>28,318.36</u>	<u>11,335.32</u>	<u>22,957.80</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>48,962.93</u>		<u>34,293.11</u>
Surplus / Deficit for Period		<u>18,773.48</u>		<u>55,127.23</u>



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STATEMENT OF BALANCES at 30/04/2025

	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
General Account			
Opening Balance 1st May 2024	10,323.50	8,433.40	18,756.90
Suplus / (Deficit)	14,211.19	40,434.27	54,645.45
Transfer from High Interest		478.79	478.79
Disposal of Fixed Assets	-	-	-
Fixed Asset Purchase		(20,000.00)	(20,000.00)
Closing Balance 30th April 2025	24,534.69	29,346.46	53,881.14
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Statement of Assets (Restated)

Assets	30/04/2025
Rescue Equipment	7,221.80
Training Equipment	5,726.40
Vehicles	52,076.24
Arrochar Mountain Rescue Post (Rebuild Insurance £316,250)	275,000.00
Total	340,024.44

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Signed on Behalf of Trustees

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Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

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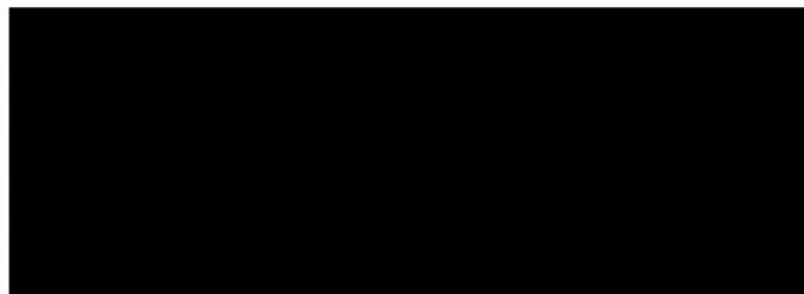
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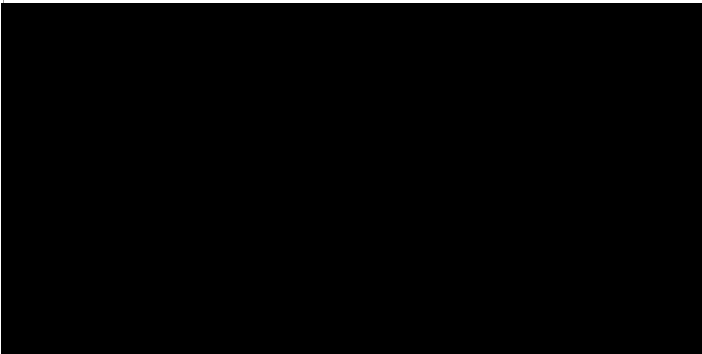
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