

Bridge Of Don Unit (No 626) of the Sea Cadets Corps

Scotland · Charity number SC029606

Details

Known as TS Bon Accord

Status Active

Legal form Unincorporated association

Registered 1999-11-01

Register [View on the OSCR register](#)

Contact

Address C/o Bridge of Don Sea Cadets
Building 17
Gordon Barracks
Bridge of Don
Aberdeen
AB23 8DB

Website www.sea-cadets.org/bridgeofdon

Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of education', 'the advancement of citizenship or community development'

What the charity does: We provide extra curricular training to children aged 9 to 18 with a nautical theme. This is provided via weekly meets, various additional training dates and shore based activities.

Beneficiaries: 'Children or young people'

Objectives: 2.1 The charitable purpose of the Unit (the Purpose) is to promote the development of young people in achieving their physical, intellectual and social potential as individuals and as responsible citizens by the provision of education and leisure time activities using a nautical theme and in accordance with the principles, ethos and practices of the Marine Society & Sea Cadets (MSSC). In furtherance of the Purpose, the Unit may: a. offer young people a structured environment in which to develop. b. provide access to education and training including (but not restricted to): sailing (inshore and offshore), paddle sports, power boating, seamanship, navigation, marine engineering, cooking, music, first aid, drill, piping, and public service. c. provide opportunities for young people to obtain a range of qualifications. and d. provide opportunities for community involvement.

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Aberdeen
- **Geographical spread:** Wider, but within one local authority area

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£43,548	£58,027	-	0
2024-03-31	£18,594	£24,643	-	0
2023-03-31	£23,918	£13,315	-	0
2022-03-31	£8,380	£7,877	-	0
2021-03-31	£4,761	£3,658	-	0

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Accounts

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Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	1	April	2024	To	31	March	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name
Other names charity is known by
Registered charity number
Charity's principal address

Bridge of Don Sea Cadet Unit	
SC 029606	
Building 17	
Gordon Barracks	
Bridge of Don	
Aberdeen	Postcode AB23 8DB

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1		Chair	04/11/24 – 31/03/25	
2		Vice-Chair	01/04/24 – 04/11/24	
3		Fundraising representative	04/11/24 – 31/03/25	
4		Treasurer		
5		Secretary		
6			04/11/24 – 31/03/25	
7		Parents representative	01/04/24 – 04/11/24	
8		Vice-Chair	01/04/24 – 01/10/24	
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Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
	01/04/24 – 04/11/24
	01/04/24 – 01/10/24

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Constitution

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Unit Management Team (UMT) members are elected annually at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). UMT members are elected from the membership of the Sea Cadet Unit, which is drawn loosely as being those with an interest of the Unit. In the event of a vacancy arising during the year (known as a casual vacancy), the UMT has the authority to appoint a new UMT member. The UMT member will serve until the next AGM, after which the post will be filled by election.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

To promote the development of young people in achieving their physical, intellectual, and social potential as individuals, as responsible citizens by the provision of education, leisure activities using a nautical theme and in accordance with the principles, ethos, and practices of the Marine Society and Sea Cadets.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

This year's activities and finances have been steadily recovering with a strong focus on growing the unit offerings and capacity of cadets. The Unit returned to normal operations with boating activities during the summer months and returning to unit-based activities in the winter months.

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Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

The main achievement was maintaining the Unit in a stable operational and financial condition and provided growth opportunities both in terms of number of cadets and activities being offered.

Cadets' numbers have slowly increased, as a result income from donations has also increased.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The biggest acquisition of the unit this financial year, has been a new(er) minibus, which will help the unit provide adequate transport for years to come.

The year has ended with a deficit of £-14,478.71, however, this includes the minibus purchase, for which we had £17,049.06 fund carried from previous years. This results in a net yearly surplus of £2,570.35. As previously agreed, when we increased the contributions, we have put aside £1,740 for the next minibus and £639 for the hardship fund, which results in a marginal net profit of ~£200.

Details of any deficit

None

Donated facilities and services (if any)

The Unit is housed in a building within the Bridge of Don Barracks. This is provided through RFCA (Reserve Forces and Cadets Association) cost free.

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Other optional information

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Position (e.g. Chair)

Date

Treasurer		
14 November 2025		

THE SEA CADETS			Form	
ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT* FOR THE UNIT			SCC A3 (R&P)	
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT for year ended 31 March 2025			Jan-20	
(*Units in Scotland: This Statement's form and content and its scrutiny are governed by Regulations – SSI 2006/218)				
Copy to be uploaded onto Westminster and Volunteer & Business Support Manager at Area Office to be notified by 1 November 2025				
Unit Name: Bridge of Don		Charity No: SCO29606		
Fund-name/purpose (if not held for the Unit's general purposes):-		THIS YEAR		LAST YEAR
		£		£
Notes				
<u>REVENUE RECEIPTS –</u>				
ANNUAL FUND/DIRECT GRANT - (restricted)		£14,487.12	£1,107.98	
OTHER GRANTS - (unrestricted)		£937.75	£586.43	
SCAVA (Sea Cadet Victualling Allowance)		£0.00	£0.00	
CADET CONTRIBUTIONS		£11,761.00	£6,899.00	
OTHER DONATIONS / LEGACIES		£0.00	£556.37	
FUNDRAISING & SPECIAL EVENTS PROCEEDS		£2,002.42	£2,722.23	
<u>OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES:</u>				
COMPETITION RECEIPTS		£0.00	£0.00	
COURSE FEES		£5,428.00	£3,432.19	
SUNDRY SALES RECEIPTS		£955.00	£938.62	
BANK DEPOSIT INTEREST		£487.39	£319.45	
PROPERTY RENTS (includes any occasional)		£0.00	£0.00	
OTHER REVENUE RECEIPTS		£1,839.68	£2,031.98	
TOTAL REVENUE RECEIPTS		A	£37,898.36	£18,594.25
<u>NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS –</u>				
PROCEEDS FROM SALES OF OTHER FIXED ASSETS		£5,650.10	£0.00	
TOTAL NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS		B	£5,650.10	£0.00
(#Attach that Fund's similar Account of Receipts as page AC1A, and so on)				
TOTAL RECEIPTS = A + B		C	£43,548.46	£18,594.25
<u>Reconciliation:-</u>				
<u>NET CHANGE FOR YEAR IN CASH/BANK BALANCE:-</u>				
- REVENUE ITEMS (= A – D from page AC2)	G	£14,735.80	-£6,049.09	
- NON-REVENUE ITEMS (= B – E from page AC2)	H	-£29,214.51	£0.00	
- COMBINED (=G+H)		-£14,478.71	-£6,049.09	
CASH/BANK BALANCE FROM LAST YEAR-END		£21,479.10	£27,528.19	
CASH/BANK BALANCE AT THIS YEAR-END		£7,000.39	£21,479.10	
		AC1		

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Unit Name:	Bridge of Don	Charity No:	SCO29606
Fund-name/purpose (if not held for the Unit's general purposes):-		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
Notes		£	£
<u>REVENUE PAYMENTS –</u>			
<u>DIRECT CHARITABLE ACTIVITY COSTS:</u>			
FUNDRAISING & SPECIAL EVENTS COSTS		£1,753.11	£935.90
COMPETITION COSTS		£0.00	£0.00
FUEL & TRAVEL COSTS		£2,035.47	£1,645.07
CATERING COSTS		£2,756.42	£587.77
TRAINING DELIVERY COSTS		£1,150.61	£2,469.25
ARTICLES PURCHASED FOR RESALE		£22.79	£0.00
<u>OVERHEAD COSTS FOR:</u>			
RENT / COUNCIL TAX		£0.00	£0.00
HEAT, LIGHT & WATER		£0.00	£0.00
TELEPHONE & BROADBAND		£359.28	£266.47
RUNNING COST Inc POSTAGE, PRINTING & OTHER		£1,685.11	£2,356.09
<u>MAINTENANCE COSTS FOR:</u>			
BUILDINGS & ESTATE		£46.76	£0.00
BOATS		£3,532.74	£13,943.57
VEHICLES		£2,398.17	£837.22
OTHER MISC EQUIPMENT		£0.00	£0.00
INSURANCE COSTS		£7,172.00	£1,502.00
BANK INTEREST & CHARGES		£0.10	£0.00
<u>CHARITY GOVERNANCE COSTS:</u>			
FOR ACCOUNTS/AUDIT OR INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION		£0.00	£0.00
FOR OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES		£250.00	£100.00
FOR LEGAL ADVICE (for constitution or trustees)		£0.00	£0.00
OTHER REVENUE COSTS		£0.00	£0.00
TOTAL REVENUE PAYMENTS	D	£23,162.56	£24,643.34
<u>NON-REVENUE PAYMENTS –</u>			
ASSETS		£34,864.61	£0.00
TOTAL NON-REVENUE PAYMENTS	E	£34,864.61	£0.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS (=D+E)	F	£58,027.17	£24,643.34
(# Attach that Fund's similar Account of Payments as page AC2A, and so on)			
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Unit Name: Bridge of Don	Charity No: SCO29606
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In E&W: STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES	Name of Fund	THIS YEAR £	LAST YEAR £
ASSETS:	<u>if restricted</u>		
CASH/BANK BALANCE(S) AT YEAR-END (from page AC1)		£7,000.39	£21,479.10
BANK DEPOSITS (if any) not included above			
LOANS RECOVERABLE			
OTHER DEBTS (total recoverable – exclude any “accruals”)			
*STOCKS OF ITEMS FOR RESALE (total cost)			
INVESTMENTS (present value of securities &c)			
INVESTMENTS (ditto – belonging to a Restricted Fund, if any)			
*OTHER FIXED ASSETS:			
- LAND & BUILDINGS			
- BOATS			
- VEHICLES			
- COMPUTERS & OTHER EQUIPMENT			
*For all these items (including any gifts at estimated value when given) state their total <u>present value</u> here if lower than as above			
LIABILITIES			
LOANS REPAYABLE			
OTHER CREDITORS (total payable – exclude any “accruals”)			
CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (estimated total amount)			

[Scottish] ACCOUNTS NOTES* (if not within Annual Report)

For any separate Receipts & Payments Account included in this Statement of Account: the nature and purpose of each Fund accounted for and the legal restrictions on its Total number and amount of any grants paid to (i) individuals and (ii) institutions, analysed by type of activity

Amount of trustee remuneration (inc. to connected persons) paid and the legal authority for it

Amount of any trustee expenses reimbursed and for how many trustees

Amount and nature of any other trustee-transactions (including with connected persons, stating the together with any amount owing at the year-end (say if

	[Amounts]	Particulars
Give page no(s). or say if none		
(or say if none)	[]	Authority:
(or say if none)	[]	For how many:
	[]	Nature:
	[]	
Give page no(s).		- or say if none

Any further information that ‘may reasonably assist’ a reader’s understanding

(*Show details on an extra attached

Signed as authorised by the Unit’s Management Committee – Date: _____

..... Unit Treasurer

..... Unit Chairman

Note: The statutory audit or independent examination report on this Statement of Account must be attached.

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Unit Name: Bridge of Don	Charity No: SCO29606	
Unit address (or address for correspondence):-		
House name:	Building 22, Gordon Barracks	
Street and No:	Ellon Road	
Area or Estate:	Bridge of Don	
Town/City:	Aberdeen	
County:	Aberdeen	
Post Code:	AB23 8DB	
Unit Management Committee members (the 'charity trustees') at date of signing Report:-		
Names of any other persons who were charity trustees of the Unit at any time in the financial year:-		
Name of any person who is now (or was, in the financial year) a 'trustee for the charity' - i.e., holding or in possession of any assets belonging to the Unit (includes custodians, nominees &c) [not : Scotland] :-		
Nature and date of the Unit's constitution (governing document): Governed by Sea Cadet Standard Constitution		
The method(s) adopted for recruiting new trustees, and how trustees are elected or otherwise appointed (and by whom) in accordance with the Unit's constitution, are as follows:- <i>Unit Management Team (UMT) members are elected annually at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). UMT members are elected from the membership of the Sea Cadet Unit which is drawn loosely as being those with an interest in the unit. In the event of a vacancy arising during the year (known as a casual vacancy), The UMT have the power to appoint a new UMT member. The UMT member appointed will serve until the date of the next AGM, after which the post will be filled by election.</i>		
The Unit's charitable purpose(s) as set out in its constitution is:- To promote the development of young people in achieving their physical, intellectual and social potential as individuals and as responsible citizens by the provision of education and leisure time activities using a nautical theme and in accordance with the principles, ethos and practices of the Marine Society & Sea Cadets (MSSC).		
The Unit's main activities and achievements in the financial year were:- Setting up two new junior sections. Replacing old minibus with a low mileage 69 plate, lightweight minibus. Replacing white RIB engine. Offering a full summer schedule of boating activities at Peterhead harbour and a week long summer camp, in association with Fraserburgh Sea Cadets Unit.		
Public Benefit The UMT continue to give due regard to the public benefit provided by the Unit in relation to the charitable purpose of the Sea Cadet movement as set out in the activities and achievements as outlined above. The aim is to promote the development of young people in achieving their physical, intellectual and social potential as individuals and responsible citizens in a safe environment. In order to achieve this the Unit takes young people from all backgrounds, including where possible those with disabilities and develops their skills and abilities by: - Regular and structured activities with a nautical theme. - Allowing young people to take part in activities connected with the wider Sea Cadet movement such as waterborne activities, events and competitions at district, area and national levels. - Availability of formal educational achievements whilst taking courses to earn badges and promotions Contributions are kept low in order to ensure all those who wish to take part in the activities of the Unit may do so.		

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Unit Name: Bridge of Don	Charity No: SCO29606	
Reserves Policy The charity trustees' policy aims to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level equating months revenue payments in order to safeguard the Unit's ongoing activities from any unexpected fluctuations in income. Year-end reserves amounted to months' on that basis.		
[Delete this section if not applicable] The Unit in designated funds representing fixed assets needed for future activities and for future projects to be carried out in as currently sum> planned/expected		
[Delete this section unless the Unit has a Restricted Fund <u>in deficit</u>] A restricted fund held for the purpose of was in deficit to the extent of and the steps being taken to rectify it are:-		
During the financial year the Unit received the following donated facilities/services (not English, Welsh or NI Units):- £5,000 grant from Gosling fundation for the acquisition of a new minibus. £5,650 grant from MSSC for the purpose of providing an armoury survey. £2,000 grants from MSSC for setting up two new junior sections. £960 grant from HRFCA and £875 grant from Aberdeenshire Education Trust used for boating kit.		
The Unit and/or its trustees held the following assets for the charity/ies named below, whose charitable purposes are as set out hereunder. Special arrangements for the safe custody of those assets and their segregation from the Unit's own assets are as set out below [English, Welsh & NI Units: Delete this section if not applicable; Units in Scotland: This disclosure is not mandatory]:-		
Date signed as authorised by the Unit's Management Committee:		
		Unit Treasurer
		Unit Chairman
		Independent Examiner
Note: The statutory audit or independent examination report on this Statement of Account must be attached.		
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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Bridge of Don		
On accounts for the year ended	31st March 2025	Charity no	SCO29606
Set out on pages			

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *)

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material

respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:		Date:	25-6-25
Name:			
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):			
Address:			



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

None