

# Galloway Thistle Youth Football Club

Scotland · Charity number SC045742

## Details

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Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2015-06-24
Register	<a href="#">View on the OSCR register</a>

## Contact

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Address	20 Elizabeth Crescent Newton Stewart DG8 6HE
Website	<a href="http://www.gallowaythistlefac.co.uk">www.gallowaythistlefac.co.uk</a>

## Activities

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**Activities:** 'It carries out activities or services itself'

**Purposes:** 'the advancement of public participation in sport'

**What the charity does:** The advancement of public participation in the sport of football \* To promote and encourage the playing of youth football in the area for both boys and girls \* To develop coaching skills by regular attendance on the Scottish Football Association coaching courses \* To develop and improve football skills by coaching and training of youths \* To promote sportsmanship, develop self-discipline and physical fitness among playing members and coaches

**Beneficiaries:** 'Children or young people', 'People with disabilities or health problems', 'No specific group, or for the benefit of the community'

**Objectives:** The advancement of public participation in the sport of football. In furtherance of this purpose, the organisation will: To promote and encourage the playing of youth football in the area for both boys and girls. To develop coaching skills by regular attendance on Scottish Football Association Coaching Courses. To develop and improve football skills by coaching and training of youths. To promote sportsmanship, develop self-discipline and physical fitness among playing members and coaches.

## Geography

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- **Main operating location:** Dumfries And Galloway
- **Geographical spread:** A specific local point, community or neighbourhood

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-10-31	£41,995	£42,444	-	0
2023-10-31	£40,159	£42,942	-	0
2022-10-31	£32,563	£30,672	-	0
2021-10-31	£20,238	£13,809	-	0
2020-10-31	£5,495	£7,718	-	0

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# Accounts

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**GALLOWAY THISTLE YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB**  
**Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation**  
**Scottish Charity No. SC045742**

**Accounts for the year ended**

**31 October 2024**

**Montpelier Professional (Galloway) Limited**  
**1 Dashwood Square**  
**Newton Stewart**  
**DG8 6EQ**

# GALLOWAY THISTLE YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

## Trustees Annual Report for the year ended

31 October 2024

The trustees present their annual report together with the accounts for the year ended 31 October 2024.

### Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is administered in accordance with its constitution adopted on 24 June 2015.

The business of the Club shall be transacted by a Management Committee elected at the AGM by the membership. Members of the management committee will be members of the club and shall serve for one year with the exception of President and Vice President, who shall run for two. Retiring members are eligible for re-election.

There is no formal induction programme or training, however some trustees have previous charity experience.

The trustees keep under review the major risks to which it may be exposed.

### Objectives and Activities

- The advancement of public participation in the sport of football.

In furtherance of this purpose, the organisation will:

- To promote and encourage the playing of youth football in the area for both boys and girls.
- To develop coaching skills by regular attendance on Scottish Football Association Coaching Courses.
- To develop and improve football skills by coaching and training of youths.
- To promote sportsmanship, develop self-discipline and physical fitness among playing members and coaches.

### Public benefit

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing their objectives and in planning their future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the objectives they have set.

### Achievements and Performance and Future Plans

Galloway Thistle Youth Football Club are full members of the Scottish Youth Football Association (SYFA), The Scottish Women's Football Association (S.W.F) and The Dumfries & Galloway Youth Football Association (DGYFDA). We play in league and cup competitions of the afore mentioned associations which include The Scottish Cup.

Another busy year for the club with all age groups increasing numbers of players. Our "Galloway Thistle Girls" section continues to thrive with two teams entered into S.W.F leagues, namely, [REDACTED] 14s league and [REDACTED] 12s league. They not only play in D&G but right across the West of Scotland.

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## Trustees Annual Report for the year ended

31 October 2024 (Cont)

Our training and coaching schedules continue for children aged 5-16 years on various nights of the week at Blairmount Park Newton Stewart. Our members now total over 240 boys and girls. Our senior boys teams at u13, u15 and u17 compete in the D&G Youth Leagues (11 aside) and our younger teams play small sided games at 4 aside, 5 aside, 7 aside and 9 aside across the D&G region and at festivals out with the region.

Both boys and girls enter The Scottish Cup competition annually. All teams performed well across the year and the standard of football played, continue to improve. The highlight of the playing season was the u15s boys winning the "Alex Whiteside Trophy". They also had a good league campaign, finishing 3<sup>rd</sup>. Our u13s started their competitive football with 11 aside cup competitions. Due to various reasons our u17s age group had to withdraw from the league in January and would also not complete in season 24/25. We hope for them to return for 25/26.

The club has around 35 volunteer coaches and helpers who on average give up approx 4 hours per week to the club. All coaches must comply to S.Y.F.A and S.W.F guidelines with regard to coaching badges, child protection procedures and first aid provision. All coaches must undertake the P.V.G process prior to being accepted as a member of the club and before any work with young people.

The club continues to use an online payment method which allows parents/guardians to pay fees in a more manageable way (Team Fee Pay). Our current fee is £99 per annum over a 9 month year (£11 per month). We will continue to review our fees on an annual basis (A.G.M).

The club held the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Galloway Football Fair on the weekend of 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024. This was well established event and saw over 900 kids take part. The festival was another huge success, and the club look forward to next year's event.

The other major event of the summer was a club trip to our very good friends in Northern Ireland. As part of our clubs' 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, Ballynahinch Youth FC invited us over to an Invitational Football Tournament in Ballynahinch Co Down. An early morning start saw over 150 parent and players head to Cairnryan to catch the ferry over. A great day out and we returned with various trophies from a successful tournament.

Overall again this year has given us success on the playing field and at our 21<sup>st</sup> festival. We continue to thrive as we provide an outlet for our young people to participate in organised sporting events. The hard work put in by our coaches & committee should be congratulated as we close our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary year(2024). A celebration dance is arranged for 29<sup>th</sup> November. We are well respected in the local community and the wider football family in the South of Scotland. The local community has been proactive in supporting our club and for that we are extremely grateful.

**GALLOWAY THISTLE YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB**

**Trustees Annual Report for the year ended**

**31 October 2024 (Cont)**

**Financial Review**

The charity had a deficit for the year of £449 (2023: £2,424).

Reserves Policy

It is the trustee's policy to hold reserves of approximately six months expenses so that in the event of a significant drop in income the charity can maintain its current level of activities for a reasonable period until replacement funding is obtained. At the year end the charity held unrestricted cash funds of £16,837 which exceeds the required reserves. The trustees therefore consider the charity a Going Concern

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



Date... 19.3.2025

## GALLOWAY THISTLE YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

I report on the accounts of the charity for the period ended 31 October 2024, which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1)(c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

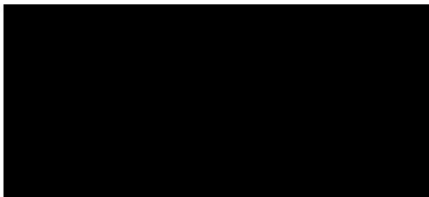
#### Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with the Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. 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 seeks 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

#### Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the requirement
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulation and,
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations.have not been met
  
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



25/10/25

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## GALLOWAY THISTLE YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

### Receipts and payments account for the year ended 31st October 2024

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>					
Sponsors & donations		-	3,330	3,330	3,242
Fundraising:					
General		-	71	71	-
Girls		-	-	-	653
Charity night		-	-	-	6,081
Football Fair		-	13,361	13,361	12,115
Transport & training		-	25,233	25,233	18,428
<b>Total receipts</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>41,995</u>	<u>41,995</u>	<u>40,519</u>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>					
Charitable activities	2	-	28,135	28,135	33,724
Fundraising expenses		-	13,985	13,985	8,907
Governance costs	3	-	324	324	312
<b>Total payments</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>42,444</u>	<u>42,444</u>	<u>42,943</u>
<b>Excess/(deficit) of receipts over payments</b>		<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ ( 449)</u>	<u>£ ( 449)</u>	<u>£ ( 2,424)</u>

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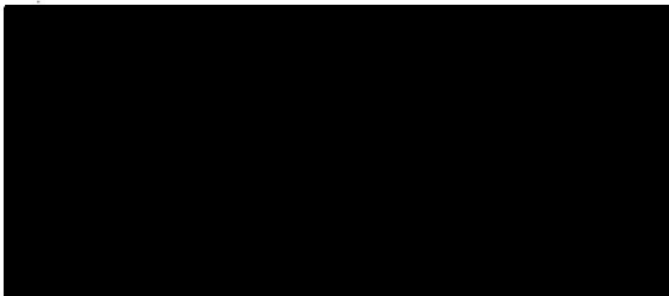
Statement of Balances

as at 31st October 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Bank balance		
Opening balance - Current account	17,286	19,708
- Cash	-	2
- Movement in year	( 449)	( 2,424)
	<u>16,837</u>	<u>17,286</u>
Closing balance - Current account	16,837	17,286
	<u>16,837</u>	<u>17,286</u>
Other assets		
Stock	500	500
Total funds	<u>17,337</u>	<u>17,786</u>

The accounts were approved by the trustees on 18 - 3 - 2025

For and on behalf of the trustees



## GALLOWAY THISTLE YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

### Notes to the Accounts for the year 31st October 2024

#### 1 Basis of Preparation

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis. They consist of a summary of all monies received and paid via the bank and in cash by the charity during the financial period, along with a statement of balances. No adjustments have been made for any income due but not received, or any expenses incurred but not yet paid at the period end.

#### 2 Charitable Activities

	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Transport	-	1,696	1,696	1,230
Surface Hire:				
3G	-	7,800	7,800	8,450
Various	-	2,179	2,179	2,200
Postage, stationery & advertising	-	49	49	82
Kit/equipment	-	14,093	14,093	16,877
Sundries	-	652	652	3,321
SYFA/DGYDFA	-	1,537	1,537	1,394
Bank Charges	-	129	129	170
	<u>-</u>	<u>28,135</u>	<u>28,135</u>	<u>33,724</u>

#### 3 Governance Costs

Accountancy & bookkeeping fees	-	324	324	312
	<u>-</u>	<u>324</u>	<u>324</u>	<u>312</u>

#### 4 Trustees

No remuneration was paid to any charity trustee or to a person connected with the trustees. No expenses were paid to any trustee during the period. The charity insurance includes management liability.

#### 5 Movement - Bank Funds

	<u>Opening Balance</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Closing Balance</u>
Unrestricted general fund	17,286	41,995	(42,444)	-	16,837
	<u>17,286</u>	<u>41,995</u>	<u>(42,444)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,837</u>

Unrestricted funds are available to use at the trustees discretion.

#### 6 Related Party Transactions

There were no reportable related party transactions during the year.