

Tweeddale Astronomical Society

Scotland · Charity number SC047071

Details

Known as TweedAstros. TAS

Status Active

Legal form SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Registered 2017-01-05

Register [View on the OSCR register](#)

Contact

Address 1A Coningsby Place
Alloa
FK101DR

Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of education', 'the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended'

What the charity does: Our activities are all about increasing the knowledge of our members and outside groups by way of viewing sessions, talks by professional astronomers, organised trips to observatories and many more.

Beneficiaries: 'No specific group, or for the benefit of the community'

Objectives: The aims and objectives of the Society are to advance education and extend awareness of, and interest in, all branches of astronomy in the Borders of Scotland.

Geography

- **Main operating location:** West Lothian
- **Geographical spread:** More than one local authority area in Scotland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2026-06-30	£0	£0	-	0
2025-06-30	£686	£582	-	0
2024-06-30	£1,702	£1,713	-	0
2023-06-30	£830	£686	-	0
2022-06-30	£189	£364	-	0
2021-06-30	£247	£295	-	0

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Scottish Charity Regulator

Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date				Period end date			
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	01	07	2024		30	06	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name	TWEEDDALE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC047071
Charity's principal address	1a Coningsby Place Alloa Clackmannanshire Postcode FK10 1DR

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	Treasurer		
2			
3			
4	Secretary		
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7			
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16			
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19			
20			

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
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Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Constitution dated 5th January 2017

Trustee recruitment and appointment

- A) The maximum number of Charity Trustees is 5 and the minimum number is 3.
- B) The individuals who signed the Charity Trustee Declaration forms which accompanied the application for incorporation of the Society shall be deemed to have been appointed by the members as Charity Trustees with effect from the incorporation of the Society.
- C) At each AGM the members may elect any member to be a charity trustee.
- D) The Board may at any time appoint any member to be a charity trustee.
- E) At each AGM all of the Charity Trustees shall retire from office but shall then be eligible for re-election.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

To advance education and extend awareness of, and interest in, all branches of astronomy in the Borders in Scotland.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Our activities are all about increasing the knowledge of our members and outside groups to include school children and amateur photographers, in all astronomy related activities. Activities include viewing sessions, equipment knowledge, talks by professional astronomers, talks given to local primary school children and girl guides, organised trips to observatories and many more.

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Achievements and performance

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

Monthly meetings between September and April inclusive have been held in a combination of Zoom and physical presence in a local Peebles church hall with excellent talks by professional astronomers on a multitude of subjects. The Zoom meetings have been joined in by welcomed friends and kindred clubs and societies in the Borders.

We have an active internal Development Committee keeping the main Committee and members alike apprised on upcoming events by way of a monthly Society Newsletter and/or emails, the latter in particular advising viewing sessions at short notice dependent on weather conditions.

There have been occasional software and guidance problems, since resolved, with our fully computerised Skyvision 24" telescope allowing several viewing sessions over the winter months with some excellent astronomical sights to include planets, nebulae and galaxies.

To engage the public some of our members took their own telescopes plus others belonging to the Society to a local river park in Peebles inviting passers by to view what could be seen in the night sky. This has always been very well received and the plan is to continue.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees policy is to maintain a minimum of £500 at the year end which is more than sufficient to cover normal running costs, projected commitments and unexpected expenditure.

Reserves at the end of the current financial year amounted to £931, more than covering our target range.

Details of any deficit

Positive balance at year end as described above following a SURPLUS of £104 for the trading year.

Donated facilities and services (if any)

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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)

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digital or typed
signatures*

Full name(s)

Position (e.g. Chair)

Trustee

Date

28th July 2025

Receipts and payments accounts						
For the period from				to		
	01	July	2024		30	June 2025

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total funds current period	Total funds last period
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations						790
Legacies						
Grants						
Receipts from fundraising activities	55				55	290
Gross trading receipts						
Income from investments other than land and buildings						
Rents from land & buildings						
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	631				631	622
A1 Sub total	686	-	-	-	686	912
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	686	-	-	-	686	912
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments	119				119	71
Investment management costs						
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	463				463	1,642
Grants and donations						
Governance costs:						
Audit / independent examination						
Preparation of annual accounts						
Legal costs					-	
Other					-	
A3 Sub total	582				582	1,713
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets						
Purchase of investments						
A4 Sub total						
Total payments	582				582	1,713
Net receipts / (payments)	104				104	(11)
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds						
Surplus / (deficit) for year	104				104	(11)

Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	827				827	838
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	104				104	(11)
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	931				931	827
(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))							

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Market valuation to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Investments				
		Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available) to nearest £	Current value (if available) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B3 Other assets	Refer separate schedule attached		30,623	12,624	14,267
		Total	30,623	12,624	14,267

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B4 Liabilities				
		Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B5 Contingent liabilities				
		Total	-	-

Signed by one or two trustees
on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of
approval

B3 Other Assets

Details	Fund	Cost	Curr Value	Last Year
Equipment	Unrestricted	171	24	32
Stock of Knitwear	Unrestricted	18	3	4
Storage Container & lock	Restricted	1,884	251	335
Eyepieces-donated by S Duff	Unrestricted	200	27	36
Meade scope donated by Edin Obsv	Unrestricted	1,000	277	369
Skyvision Telescope	Restricted	24,099	11,527	12,807
Electric Output Fan	Unrestricted	35	5	7
Ladder Platform	Unrestricted	205	28	37
Laptop	Unrestricted	625	83	111
Toolkit	Unrestricted	25	3	4
Battery Charger	Unrestricted	35	5	7
Footpump	Unrestricted	7	1	1
Shelving Units	Unrestricted	60	9	11
Optic Star Lenses/Filters	Unrestricted	40	6	8
4 Meade Eyepieces donated by Ian Hamilton	Unrestricted	100	14	18
12v Battery donated by Peter Jack	Unrestricted	60	8	11
Heater Timer	Unrestricted	20	2	3
Atik Colour Camera	Unrestricted	904	122	162
Moonlight Focuser & Bracket	Unrestricted	240	32	43
Stereo Lead	Unrestricted	15	2	2
Illuminated Reticle Eyepiece	Unrestricted	50	8	10
Extension Lead	Unrestricted	15	2	3
Epson HD Projector	Unrestricted	655	117	156
Jambra Speaker	Unrestricted	80	34	45
Celestron Eyepiece	Unrestricted	80	34	45
TOTALS		30,623	12,624	14,267

Section C Notes to the Accounts

C1 Nature and purpose of funds (may be stated on analysis of funds worksheets)

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C2 Grants

Type of activity or project supported	Individual / institution	Number of grants made	£
Total			-

C3a Trustee remuneration

If no remuneration was paid during the period to any charity trustee or person connected to a trustee cross this box (otherwise complete section 3b)	x
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C3b Trustee remuneration - details

Authority under which paid	£

C4a Trustee expenses

If no expenses were paid to any charity trustee during the period then cross this box (otherwise complete section 4b)	x
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C4b Trustee expenses - details

	Number of trustees	£

C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons

Nature of relationship	Nature of transaction	Transaction amount (£)	Balance outstanding at period end (£)

C6 Other information

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Additional analysis (1)

Analysis of receipts and payments

1 Donations

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Speaker donation						40
Anonymous						750
Total						790

2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Total	-			

3 Gross receipts from other charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Attendance dues	166				166	42
Membership dues	465				465	580
Monthly Raffles & Book Sales	55				55	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	686	-	-	-	686	622

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4 Payments relating directly to charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Website	9				9	9
FAS Membership	75				75	73
Zoom charges	140				140	140
Dolly & Cable						117
Key Deposit	20				20	
Rent	193				193	192
Calendars						250
Kaitzie - annual lease	60				60	60
Kaitzie - electricity dues						671
Guest Speaker	35				35	40
Paint, Sandpaper, Chemicals	50				50	161
Total	582				582	1,713

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Additional analysis (2)

5 Breakdown of unrestricted funds

					Total unrestricted funds	Total unrestricted funds last period
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Nature and purpose of funds

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Additional analysis (3)**6 Breakdown of restricted funds**

					Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
Receipts						
Donations						
Legacies						
Grants						
Receipts from fundraising activities						
Gross trading receipts						
Income from investments other than land and buildings						
Rents from land & buildings						
Gross receipts from other charitable activities						
Sub total						
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments						
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities					-	
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets						
Purchase of investments						
Sub total						-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net receipts / (payments)		-	-	-		
Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	-	-	-	-	-	-

Nature and purpose of funds

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

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Report to the
trustees/members of

Charity name

Tweeddale Astronomical Society

Registered charity
number

SC 047041

On the accounts of the
charity for the period

Period start date

Day

Month

Year

to

Period end date

Day

Month

Year

01

07

2024

30

06

2025

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page
numbers of additional sheets)

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 (as amended). 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 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 view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's
statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page*]

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

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.

Signed**:

Name:

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Address:

*Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply. If the words do apply, set out those matters which have come to your attention on the following page.

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Disclosure section

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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