

# Eastern Amateur Coastal Rowing Club



Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Annual Report and Financial Statements  
1st February 2024 – 31st January 2025

## Trustees' Annual Report

The trustees present their report together with the financial statements for the period from 1st February 2024 – 31st January 2025.

### Reference and administrative information

**Charity name:** Eastern Amateur Coastal Rowing Club

**Charity number:** SC047648

**Address:**

[REDACTED]

**Current trustees:**

[REDACTED]

### Structure, governance and management

The charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (a SCIO). It was registered in its current legal form on 17 August 2017. Prior to that it was an unincorporated association. The assets of the club were transferred to the SCIO on the date of incorporation. It has a two-tier structure, being governed by the charity trustees with a body of members.

### Appointment of trustees

The management committee are the charity trustees. They meet regularly, around every two months or more often as required. Membership of the committee is open to all members. The committee is elected at the AGM which is usually held in March. There must be a minimum of five and a maximum of nine trustees.

The management committee has delegated responsibility for training and race selection matters to a sub-committee, as permitted under the constitution.

## Objectives and activities

### Charitable purposes

The charity's charitable purposes are:

- to promote and facilitate public participation in the sport of Scottish Coastal Rowing.
- to develop members' skill and technique in the sport of Scottish Coastal Rowing.
- to stimulate healthy competition by means of races, regattas or other organised events.
- to promote exploration and adventure through rowing expeditions and travels.
- to promote coastal rowing as a healthy activity, which can be done safely by people of all ages at a level suited to their competence, experience and fitness.
- to encourage its members to adopt and apply best practice in health and safety, safety at sea, and child protection and to take personal responsibility for their application.

## Activities

The club organises coastal rowing outings from our base in Portobello in our two skiffs, Skelf (launched in December 2015) and Sprite (launched in May 2018). Launching from Portobello beach as weather permits, we have multiple crews out every Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and frequently also on other weekdays. Rowing on the sea takes place all year round. Off-water strength and fitness work is organised weekly through the autumn, winter and spring with strength and conditioning training and Erg (rowing machine) sessions. On-water technique development is a regular feature of the club's programme, with weekly training programmes, side-on coaching, videos and opportunities for race practice all employed. Club social gatherings are also organised approximately four times a year.

During the summer racing season the club attends a number of regattas hosted by clubs around Scotland and Northern Ireland.

The club's two boats are also available for members to organise longer expeditions (known as 'Adventure Rows') subject to approval from the management committee.

An important part of the club's activity is boat maintenance, undertaken by a group of bosuns within the club. Their work includes week-to-week repairs and maintenance, the design and manufacture of new or replacement equipment including oars and rudders, as well as annual overhauls and painting of the skiffs.

The club holds annual recruitment initiatives dependent on the capacity for new members. The current membership numbers approximately 80, including 16 youth members (under 18). The youth cohort is organised by dedicated youth co-ordinators who are supported by parents and other club members to encourage this valuable resource to the continuation of the club.

## Achievements and performance

In addition to hosting some relatively informal 'Race Sundays' with neighbouring clubs RowPorty and Eskmuthe, in 2024 Eastern also attended regattas at Port Seton, Musselburgh, Broughty Ferry, Ullapool, and North Berwick. Eastern had two crews in the long-distance (21km) Castle-to-

Crane race on the Clyde. In August, the club again participated in 'Skiffiefest', a two-day regatta hosted on Strangford Lough in Northern Ireland. Eastern enjoyed some terrific results, winning five gold, three silver and five bronze medals, retaining the 'Best Overseas Club' trophy and placing second overall to perennial champions Dundrum from Northern Ireland. Within the club haul, youth crews won one of the golds, a silver and a bronze, as well as two creditable fourth-place finishes, holding their own against some strong (and notably older) crews from the top clubs in Northern Ireland.

### Financial review

The principal regular source of funding for regular activities and expenditure are club membership fees, which are charged to members on an annual basis. There was a 5% increase during this period. Differential rates are charged for older members, youth members, as well as other concessions.

The club makes semi-regular applications to trusts and other funding bodies to support their activities as well as identified projects. Over the course of the financial year £13,134 was raised by such fundraising which, in particular, was utilised to fund the construction of oars and other key items of equipment, as well as the refurbishment of both skiffs.

### Reserves policy

The trustees' policy is to retain six months' worth of normal running costs in order to meet commitments and cover any unexpected expenditure. Six months' running costs are estimated to be £2,000 an increase of £1,000 from previous years.

### Plans for future periods

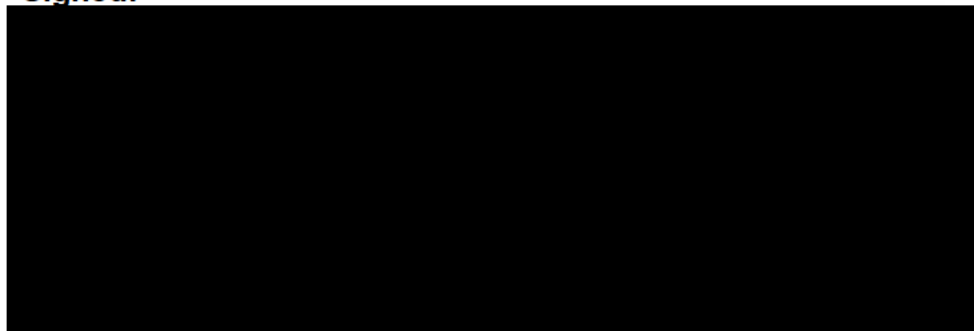
Summer 2025 brings the Skiffie World Championships, held on Loch Ryan by Stranraer in early July. This is a significant focus for Eastern, bringing a greater focus on training, technique development, strength and fitness sessions, as well as planning the logistics of spending a week in Stranraer along with over 50 other coastal rowing clubs from Scotland, Ireland, England, the Netherlands, North American and the southern hemisphere. While we're ambitious to perform strongly in Stranraer, we're keen that the 'Worlds' (as they're known), aren't the only focus for the year ahead, and the club is planning to attend other regattas, to organise some 'adventure' rows exploring different places in the Firth of Forth and beyond, and all the time enjoying and appreciating the health, social and community benefits that participating in our sport brings to us every week..

### Financial statements are included in the OSCR template.

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

**Signed:**



**Role: Chair**

**Date: 16 August 2025**

## Eastern Amateur Coastal Rowing Club (EACRC)

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	1	February	2024		31	January	2025

## Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds current period to nearest £	Total funds last period to nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>						
Donations	13,369				13,369	1,257
Legacies	-				-	-
Grants	-				-	-
Receipts from fundraising activities	184				184	-
Gross trading receipts	-				-	-
Income from investments other than land and buildings	-				-	-
Rents from land & buildings	-				-	-
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	13,720				13,720	8,983
					-	-
<b>A1 Sub total</b>	<b>27,273</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,273</b>	<b>10,240</b>
<b>A2 Receipts from asset &amp; investment sales</b>						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	-
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	-
					-	-
<b>A2 Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>27,273</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,273</b>	<b>10,240</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	-
Gross trading payments					-	-
Investment management costs					-	-
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	17,646				17,646	11,754
Grants and donations					-	-
Governance costs:					-	-
Audit / independent examination	150				150	50
Preparation of annual accounts					-	-
Legal costs					-	-
Other					-	-
					-	-
<b>A3 Sub total</b>	<b>17,796</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,796</b>	<b>11,804</b>
<b>A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements</b>						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	-
Purchase of investments					-	-
					-	-
<b>A4 Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>17,796</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,796</b>	<b>11,804</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	<b>9,477</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,477</b>	<b>(1,564)</b>
<b>A5 Transfers to / (from) funds</b>						
					-	-
<b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>	<b>9,477</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,477</b>	<b>(1,564)</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash and bank balances at start of year	1,817				1,817	3,381
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	9,477				9,477	(1,564)
						-	
						-	
	<b>Cash and bank balances at end of year</b>	<b>11,294</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,294</b>	<b>1,817</b>
	(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available) to nearest £	Current value (if available) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
<b>B3 Other assets</b>	Fixed assets - boat and equipment	General unrestricted fund	9,402	9,402	9,402
		<b>Total</b>	<b>9,402</b>	<b>9,402</b>	<b>9,402</b>

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

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
<b>B5 Contingent liabilities</b>	n/a			
		<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

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

Signature\*

Print Name

Date of  
approval

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## Section C Notes to the Accounts

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

EACRC's primary aim is to develop the competitive sport of coastal rowing. We welcome members who share that aim and who adhere to the Club's principles. As a sports club EACRC subscribes to an ethos that:

- creates a supportive atmosphere which encourages learning, development and opportunity for all to achieve their potential;
- engenders a collective responsibility to care for the boat and to contribute;
- promotes integrity on and off the water in a spirit of trust and transparency; and
- aspires to success in terms of personal/team development as well as competition wins.

Membership is open to anyone who shares the aims of the club.  
Our second boat SPRITE was launched in May 2018 with funding from The National Lottery and others. This has allowed us to expand the club membership and introduce the sport to new people.

### 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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### Authority under which paid

### C3b Trustee remuneration - details

	£

### C4a Trustee expenses

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

	Number of trustees	£
Towing. Registration costs. Purchase of buoys, VHS, petrol	8	1,358

### 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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n/a
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**Additional analysis (1)****Analysis of receipts and payments****1 Donations**

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<b>Total</b>	<b>13,369</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,369</b>	<b>1,257</b>
	reference	-	-	-	-	-

**2 Grants**

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £			Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>			<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	-	-			-	-

**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 £
Membership fees	9,516				9,516	6,020
Kit					-	-
Worlds					-	-
Donation	13,369				13,369	1,257
Training	4,192				4,192	2,963
Overpayment	12				12	-
Fundraising	184				184	-
					-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,273</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,273</b>	<b>10,240</b>
	-	-	-	-	-	-

**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 £
Affiliation/admin/insurance	1,194				1,194	2,269
Equipment	870				870	1,231
Events/Regatta	1,287				1,287	1,225
Rental	3,626				3,626	2,730
Training	4,289				4,289	2,283
World's expenses	150				150	-
Bosun	6,380				6,380	2,066
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,796</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,796</b>	<b>11,804</b>
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**Additional analysis (2)****5 Breakdown of unrestricted funds**

	Unrestricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total unrestricted funds	Total unrestricted funds last period
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Grants					-	-
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**Nature and purpose of funds**

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