



Trustees Annual Report

April 2025 – April 2026

Presented by
Steve Hickin
Chair of trustees

The Pavilion, Seafield Park, Keith, AB55 5AJ

Keith & District Men's Shed is a Charity Registered in Scotland



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1) Introduction

Moray Council issued the Completion Certificate on 18/06/2025 and the Pavilion and Hobby Room was finally operational. The SHED is in use from Monday to Thursday with our main meeting day being every Wednesday. Work on completing the Workshop and tidying the site in general is ongoing and any Shedder is welcome to come along on these days to help.

2) Board of Trustees

The Board of our Shed is made up of a maximum of nine Trustees who are Sheddors elected by the Sheddors to serve a three year term of office. The purpose of the Board is to manage the day to day needs and running of Keith & District Men's Shed under the provisions of our Constitution, OSCR Charity regulations and the Law.

Your current Trustees are: Steve Hickin - Chair, Steve Purves – Vice Chair, Stewart Cree – Treasurer, Jake Kelly, Gordon McWilliam, Bob McWilliam, Barry Ritchie, and Dave Brown – Whose term of Office ends at the 2026 AGM.

Don Ferguson, who was elected as Trustee by the members at the 2025 AGM, had been elected as Secretary by the Board but, was subsequently unable to take up the duties of the Secretary due to personal matters and following on from that, resigned as a Trustee in December 2025.

As no other Trustee was able to take up the role of Secretary at that time, and in order to resolve the matter the Board appointed Fiona Addison, a founder member of KDMS, as an ex officio secretary.

The vacancy created by the resignation of Don Ferguson in December 2025 was filled by the Board of Trustees under the provisions of our Constitution by appointing Robbie McCulloch into the post until the 2026 AGM, where his term of office will end.

3) Members

Since the last AGM we have had a steady flow of interest in our Shed with new members joining and bringing new skills into the Shed.

Davie Leith

I would like to make a mention of Davie Leith who was an enthusiastic member of our Shed and sadly passed away at the end of 2025, in his will he left a generous bequest of £10,000 to our Shed. Our thanks and condolences went out to his family.

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4) Meetings

The main weekly meeting continues every Wednesday with this being the day with the most attendance, smaller groups of Shedders are at the Shed on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays working at various projects including completing the workshop and tidying the outside area. Consideration is being given to other opening times.

5) Building Project

The Pavilion and Hobby Room are complete with just tidying up inside to be finished, the Workshop is almost completed with the final positioning of machinery and final installation of the extraction system outstanding. In the outside area the Acoustic Barrier is complete and arrangements are in hand for the erection of the Poly Tunnel and Green House. Tidying up in the outside area is ongoing with a permanent back gate still to be installed.

6) Treasurer's Report & Annual Accounts

The Treasurer has prepared the Annual Accounts for 2024/2025 and they have been independently verified, they will be presented for adoption as part of his report to the AGM and lodged with OSCR as required. Thanks to our fund raising efforts and the generosity of the Keith community our accounts are in a healthy state.

A £1000 donation from the TESCO Sure Start fund was divided between the Poly Tunnel group and to provide kitchen equipment.

7) Activities

Music Group:

Our Music Group, organised by Willie Barron, initially came together in 2022 when we were still meeting at The Loft Youth Project Hall and in the last 12 months it has really developed. During early 2025 the group started receiving requests from other community groups to come along and entertain them, these sessions are presented as 'Sing Along with the Shedders' and have proven very popular with return bookings being made. A report of the Music Groups activities is attached to this report.

See Appendix 1 for Music Group report

Painting & Drawing Group:

A Painting and Drawing group has been formed with a local Artist, leading the sessions, the group meets at the Pavilion every 4th Monday to practice and develop their artistic skills.

2026 Burns Supper:

Following the success of the Shedders Burns Supper in January 2025, the 2026 Burns Supper was expanded as a ticketed event to include members of the local community over the age of 60, and in order to accommodate this expansion the venue was relocated to the Keith Royal British Legion Hall. This expanded event was very popular with more applicants for tickets than seats were available, as a

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result of the enthusiastic support from the community the 2027 Burns Supper is already in the planning stage.

2026 Coffee Morning:

The KDMS Coffee Morning is an annual event that is looked forward to by the Shedders and the wider community and scheduled for June 2026 in the Longmore Community Hall.

Poly Tunnel:

The Poly Tunnel growers group has been formed and visited the Foggy Men's Shed to see how they operate their Poly Tunnel. Now that the location for our Poly Tunnel has been cleared and levelled the next step is to put it up.

8) External Activities

External activities in the community are still difficult to entertain while we are completing the exterior areas of our site and enquiries are carefully considered so the Shedders can continue to be active in the community.

The Music Group continues to be popular and is active in external visits to local Care Homes and other community groups.

9) Looking Ahead

We are approaching the point in our Lease with Moray Council when we have the option of activating the Break Clause to allow us to consider our options which could be; Continue with the Lease as is, Make an application for a Community Asset Transfer of the Pavilion and Land into the Shed's ownership or, walk away from the lease. These and other options must be carefully considered by the Board and the Shedders before a decision is made.

2027 AGM

The provisional date for the 2027 AGM is 21st April 2027, the date will be confirmed nearer the time.

For and on behalf of the Trustees:

Steve Hickin
Chair
Keith & District Men's Shed



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Appendix 1 - Music Group Report 2026

The music group has been together since the start of 2025. We rehearse on a Thursday afternoon at the Shed.

At present we have fourteen shedders involved in the group.

The group started performing in October 2025, we promote what we do as 'Sing along with the Shedders'

The events we have been involved in are:

- 30/10/25 League of Friends for Turner Memorial Hospital
- 1/12/25 The Woman's Guild Xmas party.
- 26/01/26 Hanover housing Taylor Court, Keith, resident's group
- 29/01/26 Fly and Friendship group, Fife-Keith.
- 19/02/26 Hanover housing Dufftown resident's group.

Looking forward to the rest of the year we have return performances for each of the groups mentioned, along with a performance for the 50+ group, Glen Isla care home and Weston View care home.

We have been well received at all the events we carried out, this is reinforced by having been asked to return to each of the groups.

Willie Barron

Music group coordinator.

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Accounts for the period

01st November 2024 to 31st October 2025

Forwarded by CCLO

Independent Examiner's Report

Statement of Balances @ 31st October 2024

Expenditure and Receipts Year ended 31st October 2024

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APPENDIX 3

OSCR
Scottish Charity Regulator

Independent examiner's report on the accounts V2

Report to the trustees/members of Charity name **Keith and District Men's Shed**

Registered charity number SC 047849

On the accounts of the charity for the period

| Period start date | | | Period end date | | |
|-------------------|-------|------|-----------------|-------|------|
| Day | Month | Year | Day | Month | Year |
| 01 | 11 | 2024 | 31 | 10 | 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.

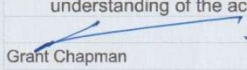
Independent examiner's statement In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page*]

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:**  **Date:** 25/05/2026

Name: Grant Chapman

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): Director (Retired)
Seafox Group

Address: 10A Mid Street
Keith
Moray AB555AG

*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.
**OSCR will accept digital or typed signatures.

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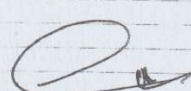
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Accounts of Keith and District Men's Shed - SCO47849
For the Period 01/11/24 to 31/10/25

Statement of Balances as at 31 October 2025

| | £ Cash | £ Bank | £ Total |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------|------------|
| Opening Balance at 01/11/2024 | 262.36 | 21,867.60 | 22,129.96 |
| Closing Balance at 31/10/25 | 145.50 | 8,248.05 | 8,393.55 |
| Surplus / Deficit for Year | -116.86 | - 13,619.55 | -13,736.41 |
| Restricted Funds | | | Nil |
| Unrestricted Funds | | | 8,393.55 |
| Bank a/c No 4002005 | | 8,248.05 | |

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf.


S Cree Treasurer

Date 4/4/26

Notes to Annual Accounts

This financial year saw the development of the Men's Shed reach a successful conclusion. After seemingly endless hurdles the Shed gained a completion certificate from The Moray Council allowing members to use all of the facilities in the complex.

It is our aim to maintain a reserve of £5,000 against unforeseen expenditure and, at times, this was breached however, after a successful fundraising effort, and the ability to gain income from craft products, we ended the year in a positive financial position.

It is now expected that we will enter a period of relative stability as no major expenditure is anticipated and we have the means and equipment to ensure financial probity

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| Mens Shed Year ended 31st Oct 2025 | | £ |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| EXPENDITURE | | |
| Bank Payments | | (39,135.74) |
| Cash Payments | | (1,801.73) |
| Total Payments | | (40,937.47) |
| RECEIPTS | | |
| Bank Receipts | (Incl Deposits from Cash £7,580) | 25,516.19 |
| | Deduct Deposits from Cash Book | (7,580.00) |
| Cash Receipts | | 9,264.87 |
| Total Receipts | | 27,201.06 |
| Net Movement | | (13,736.41) |
| Opening Bank + Cash | | 22,129.96 |
| Closing Bank + Cash | | 8,393.55 |
| Net Movement in Funds | | (13,736.41) |
| Bank Account | | |
| Opening Bank Balance | | 21,867.60 |
| Bank Receipts | (Incl Deposits from Cash £7,580) | 25,516.19 |
| Bank Payments | | (39,135.74) |
| Closing Bank Balances | | 8,248.05 |
| Cash | | |
| Opening Balance | | 262.36 |
| Cash Receipts | | 9,264.87 |
| Cash Payments | | (1,801.73) |
| Deposited in Bank | | (7,580.00) |
| Closing Cash Balance | | 145.50 |

G. Graham
25/5/26.