

Scottish Charity Number: SC049315

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

**FOR**

**MACKINNON DANCERS SCIO**

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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

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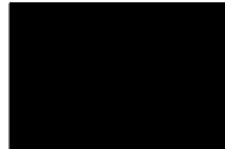
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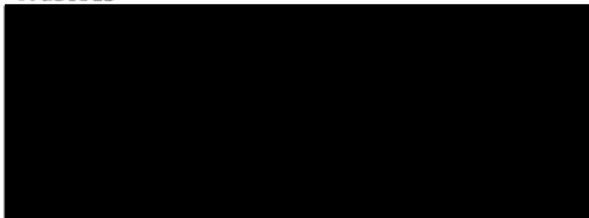
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**Trustees**



**Recruitment and appointment of Trustees**

All of the Charity's trustees are appointed or reappointed by the members at our annual general meeting.

**Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a constitution and is constituted as a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO).

**Charitable purposes**

- to advance the arts, culture and heritage of Highland Dancing throughout the Western Isles;
- to advance education of children and young people through the tuition and competition participation of Highland Dancing.

**Charitable Activities**

Mackinnon Dancers held four Mackinnon Festivals in June, August and December 2023 and March 2024. Each of these competitions attracted dancers from throughout the Western Isles and the Mainland. Each of these competitions were well attended and very successful and a great experience for all the children..

The dancers put on a number of displays onboard visiting cruise ships to entertain the passengers as well as performing at various galas and fundays throughout the island over the summer months. They also spent the week of the Hebridean Celtic Festival dancing on the streets, doing lovely performances for all the tourists, visitors and locals.

Some of our dancers travelled to the mainland and neighbouring islands for competitions. This included children of all ages and abilities going to various competitions and championships and 5 dancers competed at the World Highland Dancing Championships in Dunoon.

Three of our dancers were selected to represent the Western Isles Team at the Scottish Area Finals in Oban, which was a great achievement and the girls enjoyed the experience.

A Family Ceilidh was held where dancers were presented with their exam certificates and medals, and put on a lovely display of dancing for their families. A successful fundraising Bingo night was held for the dance school, and a display at a local charity event held by the local Macmillan Cancer Group.

Our annual Christmas party took place where the dancers again took in donations for our local food bank and an incredible amount was handed over. The start of 2024 was also successful with a family Ceilidh night and displays at local care homes.

**Future plans**

Further festivals and fundraisers are planned for the year to March 2025.

**Trustee remuneration and expenses**

The trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses during the year.

**Reserves**

As a result of the surplus of £3,872 for the period (2023 surplus £1,347), unrestricted funds of £7,998 (2023 £4,126) were held at year-end which the Trustees consider adequate to enable the group to continue for the forthcoming year.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf



Date: 29/10/24

**MACKINNON DANCERS SCIO**  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Year Ended 31.03.24	Year Ended 31.03.23
<b>Receipts</b>		
	£	£
Interest received	20	-
Donations	2,140	1,654
Fundraising	9,033	2,186
Competition Fees	6,203	4,633
	<u>17,396</u>	<u>8,473</u>
<b>Payments</b>		
Fundraising costs	587	977
Competition and exam costs	3,112	1,884
Medals and equipment	6,380	2,323
Travel	1,976	282
Postage, Stationery & advertising	440	420
Venue Hire	40	685
Gifts and donations	774	555
Sundry expenses	215	-
	<u>13,524</u>	<u>7,126</u>
<b>Surplus / (Deficit) for the year</b>	<u>3,872</u>	<u>1,347</u>

**MACKINNON DANCERS SCIO**  
**STATEMENT OF BALANCES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Year Ended 31.03.24	Year Ended 31.03.23
	£	£
<b>Bank and cash in hand</b>		
Opening balances	4,126	2,779
Surplus (deficit) for year	<u>3,872</u>	<u>1,347</u>
Closing Balance	<u>7,998</u>	<u>4,126</u>

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Date: 29/10/24

**MACKINNON DANCERS SCIO**  
**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS STATEMENT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 5 to 6.

**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) Act 2005 ("the 2005 Act") and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) ("the 2006 Regulations"). The charity's trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(d) of the 2006 Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1)(c) of the 2005 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 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:-

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 Regulations, and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 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.

