

**Morvern Games and Gala Week**

**Financial Statements and Trustees' Report**

**For the Year Ended 31st August 2024**

**Charity No: SC051236**

**Morvern Games and Gala Week SCIO**  
**For the year ended 31st August 2024**  
**Trustee's Annual Report**

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2024.

**Reference and Administrative Information**

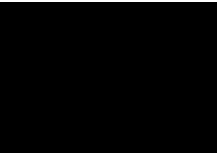
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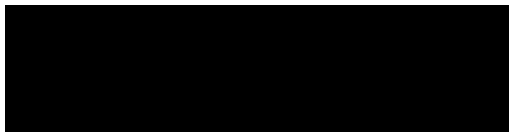
**Charity No**

SC051236

**Address**



**Current Trustees**



**Structure, Governance and Management**

**Constitution**

The Charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporation Organisation (SCIO). It was registered in its current legal form on 6th Sept 2021. It was previously a voluntary run community group. It has a two tier structure using the SCVO model constitution, comprising of Members and Charity Trustees.

**Definition of Community**

The "Community" being the Community of Morvern as defined by Morvern Community Council.

**Appointment of Trustees**

The number of Trustees shall be not less than 3 and the total number of Trustees shall not be more than 9.

- No more than 6 shall be elected as Trustees by the Ordinary Members;  
Ordinary Members are those individuals aged 16 and over who:
  - (a) are resident in the Community
  - (b) are entitled to vote at a local government election in a polling district that includes the Community or part of it; and
  - (c) support the Purposes.
- No more than 3 shall be co-opted; so to ensure a spread of skills and experience within the Board.

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## **Objectives and Activities**

### **Charitable purposes**

The Organisation's main purpose is consistent with furthering the achievement of sustainable development. The Organisation's purposes are:

- The advancement of citizenship or community development through the management of community land and associated assets, including the conservation of its natural environment, and providing environmental and recreational amenities and improved access for the benefit of the Community and the public.
- The advancement of the arts, heritage, culture or science through the facilitation of music, cultural and art events for the community and the public in order to further public awareness of the local environment, culture, heritage and history.
- The provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities which will be available for use by members of the community and public.

### **Activities**

The Morvern Games and Gala Week committee hosts an annual event in Morvern every July, featuring the highly anticipated Morvern Highland Games, which serves as the week's kickoff at Knock Park, Lochaline. The day's attractions include children's sports, adult athletics and heavy events, alongside performances by pipe bands, displays of Highland dancing, tug-of-war contests, and novelty races such as the 'wife-carrying race', and whisky barrel rolling. Additionally, a market street offers a variety of food, craft and charity stalls, refreshments, chainsaw carving demonstrations, a bouncy castle, live music and much more.

Following the Highland Games, the committee organises a diverse timetable of events and activities suitable for all ages, including a duck race, clay pigeon shooting, afternoon teas, Drimnin cinema showings, bowls, badminton, quiz nights, bingo, rodeo race night, treasure hunts, mini Highland games, heritage and nature walks, shinty, play sessions for children under five, live music, ceilidhs, raft races, water sports, a flower festival, sand mine tours, darts and a plethora of other activities. The aim is to ensure that all local groups and businesses can benefit from the week-long festivities.

### **Achievements and Performance**

The Scottish Sea Farms Heart of the Community Fund has enabled the committee to enhance facilities at Knock Park, by providing a new marquee. Since the pandemic, there has been a significant increase in the number of stalls participating in our games, prompting the committee to ensure that the facilities can expand in tandem with the event's growth.

The charity has successfully leveraged its expertise to attract substantial support from visitors and locals attending the Highland Games. This support has been evident not only on the event day but throughout the week, with all activities enjoying strong attendance and drawing large crowds to Morvern. The charity organised several events and managed all logistics for the week, ensuring a wide range of enjoyable options for everyone.

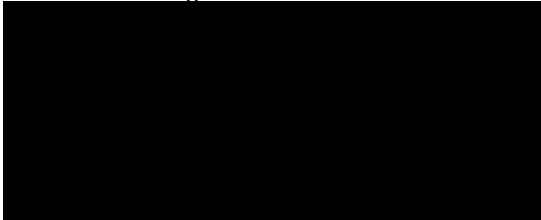
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**Plans for the future**

The Morvern Games and Gala Week committee has had the opportunity to participate in the Local Place Plan board to outline future developments for Knock Park. This proposal has now been submitted to the Council, and the committee looks forward to the next steps once they receive all necessary documentation from their buyout. They are grateful for the feedback and suggestions received through the LPP in which can be added to the support received through their own consultations as they move forward with the enhancements to Knock Park. Discussions regarding quotations are underway, with the initial priority being to secure the boundaries of the acquired land.

**Reserves policy**

Where there is no specific policy, the charity aims to retain sufficient funds required to meet annual running costs.



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**Independent examiner's report to the Trustees and Members of Morvern Games and Gala Week SCIO**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the period ended 31st August 2024 which comprises the statement of receipts and payments, the balance sheet and the related notes.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 44 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005. My examination has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my examination, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

**Respective responsibilities of directors and independent 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 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity's 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 was carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Account (Scotland) Regulations 2006. 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 seeking 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 connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- (i) 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 2005 Act and Regulations 4 of 2006 Accounts Regulations, and  
  
to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met, or
- (ii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper  
 ts to be reached.

Date 15.05.25

The Highland Bookkeeper  
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**Statement of Receipts and Payments**  
**For the year ended 31st August 2024**

		<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>	<b>Total 2023</b>
	Note	£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>	4				
Donations		3827	0	<b>3827</b>	4499
Grants		0	22352	<b>22352</b>	106452
Fundraising		0	0	<b>0</b>	0
Charitable activities		16318	0	<b>16318</b>	20392
Bank interest		0	0	<b>0</b>	0
<b>Total receipts</b>		<b>20145</b>	<b>22352</b>	<b>42497</b>	<b>131343</b>
<b>Payments</b>	5				
Fundraising Cost		0	0	<b>0</b>	208
Charitable Activities		14310	0	<b>14310</b>	123306
Governance Costs		550	0	<b>550</b>	550
Purchase of equipment		0	0	<b>0</b>	1403
<b>Total payments</b>		<b>14860</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14860</b>	<b>125467</b>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		5285	22352	<b>27637</b>	5876
Transfer between funds		0	0	<b>0</b>	0
<b>Net Receipts/(Payments)</b>		<b>5285</b>	<b>22352</b>	<b>27637</b>	<b>5876</b>

The notes on pages 7 and 8 form an integral part of these accounts.

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**Statement of Balances as at 31st August 2024**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Opening Cash at Bank and In Hand	23803	3039	26842	20966
Net Receipts/(Payments)	5285	22352	27637	5876
Closing Cash at Bank and In Hand	29088	25391	54479	26842

**Bank and Cash Balances**

Santander	559	559
Bank of Scotland Account	53920	26283
	<u>54479</u>	<u>26842</u>

**Other assets**

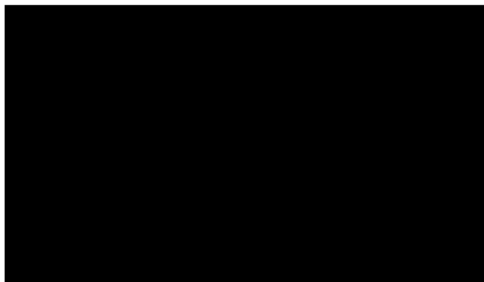
Knock Byre	16472	16472
Storage Container	3300	3300
Knock Park	94698	94698
Tables	580	725
Gazebo	444	555
Computer Equip	161	242
	<u>115655</u>	<u>115992</u>

**Liabilities**

Independent Examination	600	550
	<u>600</u>	<u>550</u>

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Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by;



## Morvern Games and Gala Week SCIO

### Notes to the accounts

For the year ended 31st August 2024

#### 1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended)

#### 2 Nature and purpose of funds

Unrestricted funds are those that may be used at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

Restricted funds may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds raised for specific purposes.

#### 3 Related party transactions

No remuneration was paid to the Trustees or any connected persons during the year (2023: Nil).

#### 4 Receipts

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
<b>Donations</b>				
Gate donations	1807	0	1807	2535
Various Individuals/Companies	2020	0	2020	1964
	3827	0	3827	4499
<b>Grants</b>				
Lochaber Community Fund	0	0	0	300
Scottish Land Fund	0	22352	22352	105902
Edinburgh District Motor Club	0	0	0	250
	0	22352	22352	106452
<b>Fundraising</b>				
Quiz	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
<b>Charitable Activities</b>				
Sponsor/Adverts in programme	4585	0	4585	3685
Stalls	770	0	770	1054
Raffle	2085	0	2085	1931
Bar Sales	8011	0	8011	11964
Gala Week Events	550	0	550	1250
Misc	53	0	53	0
Merchandise sales	264	0	264	508
	16318	0	16318	20392
<b>Bank interest</b>				
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0



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**5 Payments**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>	<b>Total 2023</b>
<b>Fundraising costs</b>				
Raffle	0	0	0	208
	0	0	0	208
<b>Charitable Activities</b>				
Entertainment	2466	0	2466	3148
Drink/Food expenses	4390	0	4390	6236
Merchandise	387	0	387	313
Medals/Trophies	340	0	340	791
Marquee	880	0	880	200
Toilet hire	1800	0	1800	1763
Advertising/Printing	1057	0	1057	1088
Hall rental	212	0	212	530
Sundries	200	0	200	706
Licence/Insurance	856	0	856	748
Field preparation	1263	0	1263	8613
Fuel/travel costs	383	0	383	439
Bank charges	76	0	76	0
Scottish Land Fund	0	0	0	98729
	14310	0	14310	24930
<b>Governance costs</b>				
Accounting costs	550	0	550	550
	550	0	550	550