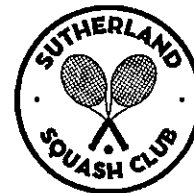


**Sutherland Squash Club - SCIO
SC052879**

**Trustees Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended
31 July 2025**



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Scottish Charity Number SC052879

Trustees

Frank MacCulloch
Catherine MacCulloch
Craig Phillips
Rachel Cameron
Ben Hallam
David Diracles

Chairperson's Report

It has been another busy year for the club and it is my pleasure to update you on the various activities that have taken place.

Membership

	2024-25			2023-24
	Male	Female	Total	Total
Adult	23	27	50	45
Junior	27	30	57	47
Total	50	57	107	92

Finances

At our AGM our treasurer, Ben Hallam will provide the annual accounts and provide more information on the clubs finances but the accounts are looking healthy.

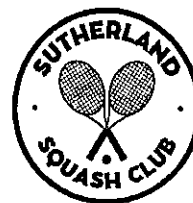
Acknowledgements

We are very lucky to have a number of people give up their time and expertise to help keep the club running and improve the facilities we have available. A huge thank you to everyone who has helped us out.

Frank did a great job of raising £1200 with his cross country skiing challenge in Sweden.

A Year in Squash

It has been another busy and rewarding year for the club, with plenty of activity on and off the court. From exciting exhibition matches to league competition, coaching sessions, and



individual successes, there has been a lot to celebrate. Below are some of the highlights that really showcase the progress within our club.

We kicked off the season with a memorable exhibition match between Greg Lobban and Zac Paton, which was made even more special by the enthusiastic support of our junior players, who filled the gallery with cheers and encouragement. Events like this not only inspire our juniors but also remind us all of the fun and excitement that squash brings.

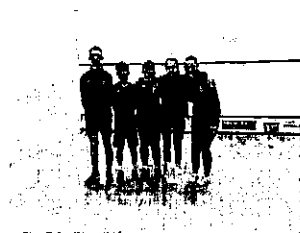


Although it arrived a little later than expected, we were proud to be named Club of the Year 2023/24. This recognition is a testament to the hard work and commitment of everyone involved in running, coaching, playing, and supporting the club. Thank you to all who contributed towards this achievement—it really is a shared award.



On the competitive front, Fynn and Evie both shone by winning their respective categories at the recent event in Inverness. Alongside them, several other juniors put in excellent performances, demonstrating not only how much they have developed but also the depth of emerging talent we have within the club.

We are also delighted that Max and Evie have been selected to represent HISA at the Inter-Regionals in Edinburgh (20–21 September). This is a fantastic opportunity for them to compete at a higher level and to showcase the strength of our junior programme.



Another real highlight of the year came when Fynn and Evie had the chance to step on court with two of the sport's very best, Mohamed ElShorbagy and Paul Coll, ahead of an exhibition match in Inverness. From all reports they even managed to take a few points off them, which is no mean feat!

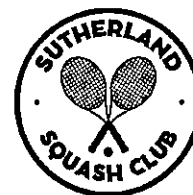


Our senior teams have also continued to grow in confidence and ability. The HISA league squad showed excellent progress, hosting matches at home for the first time, travelling to venues such as Gordonstoun, and building a strong team spirit. The success of last season has led to us entering two teams in this year's league, which is a fantastic milestone. We encourage as much home support as possible to cheer our players on.

Our H/T sessions remain popular, thanks to the continued commitment of Rachel and Gillian. These sessions play an important role in helping players of all abilities improve their game, stay fit, and enjoy regular squash.



It has also been great to see our members representing the club further afield. Rachel, Gillian, Maisie, Evie, and Archie all travelled to compete in the Orkney Open, once again putting our club firmly on the map.



Junior coaching remains at the heart of what we do. It is fantastic to see so many juniors progressing through competitions and, in several cases, stepping up to represent us in the HISA league. Their enthusiasm and improvement give us great confidence in the future of the club.

None of these achievements would have been possible without the dedication of our coaches, volunteers, committee members, parents, and supporters. Your commitment ensures the smooth running of the club and provides our players with the opportunities to develop and thrive.

Looking ahead, we remain focused on building on this momentum, making sure we seize every opportunity to strengthen the club, support our players, and continue growing squash within the community.

Objectives and activities:

Sutherland Squash operates as a non-profit distributing charity whose principal objective is that advancement of public participation in the sport of squash .

The club achieved our objectives by:

- Organising external coaches to lead sessions with club juniors.
- Organising and delivering regular coaching sessions with club coaches for junior members
- Promoting and participating in junior events held in Inverness and Orkney
- Participating in the HISA Division 2 Competitive Squash League.
- Organising and leading Women and Girls only sessions, promoting and helping women into sport.
- Leading club sessions which are open to all members
- Providing rackets, safety glasses, shoes and balls available free of charge to make the sport accessible to all.
- Allowing non-members access to the club for a nominal fee.

Structure Governance and management :

- The club is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Club (SCIO)
- The members- who have the right to participate in members meetings and have important powers under the constitution and elect people to serve on the board and take decisions on changes to the constitution itself
- The BOARD- who hold regular meetings and generally control the activities of the club and is responsible for monitoring and controlling the financial position of the club.
- The people serving on the board are Charity Trustees of the club.

Achievements and performance

During the reporting period the club achieved the following:

- Awarded Scottish Squash Club of the Year 23/24.
- Member numbers increased from 92 – 107, with a noted increase in the number of women and girls now playing squash.
- Started the year with coaching session led by Greg Lobban, (world no 16) followed by an exhibition match with Zac Paton.



- 2 junior members won their respective divisions in a competitive competition in Inverness
- 2 junior members selected to represent Highland and Islands in a Scottish National event.
- Junior Coaching events are well supported by approximately 40 juniors regularly attending sessions.
- Successful participation in the competitive HISA Division 2 squash league

Financial review

This covers the period 1/8/2024 – 31/7/2025. Sutherland Squash Club's annual source of income is from:

- Membership subscriptions:
 - These are up on the previous year
- Payments for court lights (via tokens)
 - Payments are similar to previous year. Although membership numbers have increased this is not replicated is an increase with court booking.
- Donations and Grants
 - This is reduced from the previous year due to a lack of opportunity and 2 unsuccessful grant applications. Local initiatives raised a small amount of funding.
- Payments for Junior coaching
 - This is increasing as parents and club members recognize the value of our internal coaches.
- Payments for Club Sessions (H//T and Club sessions)
 - Club sessions are well attended and supported.
- Savings Account Interest
 - The club's Deposit account provided a good return for the year.

Approved on behalf of the Trustees:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank MacCulloch", written over a horizontal line.

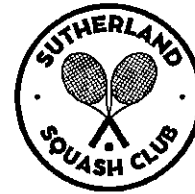
Frank MacCulloch

Date: 25/9/2025

Independent examiner's report on the accounts of Sutherland Squash Club - SCIO

Report to the trustees of Sutherland Squash Club - SCIO, Registered Charity Number SC052879 on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2025.

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. 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 Charities Accounts (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 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 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 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:

Dated: 9/4/26

Name: James Cameron

Relevant professional qualification: Chartered Accountant

Address: Cameron Consulting (Scotland) Ltd, 7 Poles Road, Dornoch, IV25 3HP

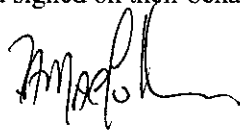
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Statement of Balances as at 31 July 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
Bank and cash in hand		
Bank of Scotland	26,920	23,152
Accruals		
Expenses	(117)	-
Net Assets	<u>26,803</u>	<u>23,152</u>
Funds		
Unrestricted funds	<u>26,803</u>	<u>23,152</u>

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf on 25 September 2025

Frank MacCulloch
Secretary



Sutherland Squash Club**Income and expenditure for year ended 31 July 2025**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Income		
Donations	1,896	7,030
Tokens	1,205	1,156
Membership	3,327	2,850
HIT Sessions	1,158	230
Interest	531	91
Income	<u>8,117</u>	<u>11,357</u>
Expenditure		
Electricity	580	519
Insurance	567	547
Repairs & maintenance	2,064	1,957
Coaching	900	871
Clothing	-	635
Squash equipment	-	680
Subscriptions	305	334
Social event	-	-
Travel & club trips	-	778
Other	50	-
Professional fees	-	2,000
	<u>4,466</u>	<u>8,321</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for year	3,651	3,036
Opening reserve	23,152	20,116
Closing reserve	<u>26,803</u>	<u>23,152</u>
All funds are unrestricted		

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Notes as at 31 July 2025

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	£	£
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