



Trustee Annual Report

Oct 24 - Sep 25

Charity Name: The Arran Mountain Festival SCIO

Registered Charity Number: SC052229

Charity's Principal Address: c/o Clacharan, Strathwhillan Rd,
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Active Trustees:

- Peter Bellhouse
- Charlotte Campbell (Treasurer)
- Fiona Clarke
- Corinna Goeckeritz
- Alastair Howe (Chair)
- Liz Scott
- Mark Wickstead (Secretary)
- Tim Williams

Other Trustees: Peter David Scott (resigned 6.11.24)

Governing Document: Model Constitution for Single Tier SCIO
dated Jan 2023

Objectives:

The defined purpose of The Arran Mountain Festival SCIO (AMF) is to advance public participation in hill-based sport by:

Holding a community led, not for profit, varied programme of guided, ability graded walks and other outdoor activities in Arran's mountains and countryside, with a core focus on an annual festival (the "Arran Mountain Festival"). And from time to time holding Social, Educational, Training and/or Fundraising events connected to the festival to promote participation and community involvement in the festival and hill-based sport in general.

Activities:

In 2025 the AMF organised four days of walks and runs over the weekend of 16th - 19th May with places for more than 150 people to enjoy the hills of Arran. To achieve this, the AMF was very happy to have the support of over thirty volunteers and to gain sponsorship from around 20 local businesses. A quiz night and a Ceilidh were also held as part of the festival and to help raise funds

The sponsorship scheme for aspiring mountain leaders which the AMF launched in 2024 to assist six aspirants wishing to gain the nationally recognised Mountain Leader Award continues. Two gained their qualification in time to be able to lead walks for the 2025 festival. The remaining four were steadily progressing toward their assessments. This year the AMF announced further funding to assist toward continuing personal / professional development courses for any leaders who volunteer for the festival.

Looking forward, in line its objective to advance public participation in hill-based sport, the AMF intends to support two local organisations that will enable young people on Arran to gain experience of Hill Walking. The Arran Youth Foundation and Arran Outdoor Education Centre will be offered funds in the coming year.