



# FootGolf Association of Scotland

Charity Number SC050749

Annual Reports

2025

## **FootGolf Association of Scotland**

A registered charity in Scotland, number SC050749

### **Trustees**

Neil Shave (President)

Stuart Taylor-Pearson (Secretary)

Nigel Shave (Treasurer)

Alasdair Dick (Head of National Tours)

Rory Cassidy (Head of Club & Social FootGolf)

Steven Cameron (Course Development Officer)

Colin Todd (Player Development Officer)

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## **Charitable Objectives**

The advancement of public participation in sport in Scotland

The provision of recreational facilities and activities relating to FootGolf in  
Scotland

The provision of competitive sporting competition and oversight of FootGolf in  
Scotland



## **Presidents Report**

2025 has been another great year for the growth of FootGolf across the country, in all areas.

At the beginning of the year we made a commitment to investing finances and resources into the growth of the game on the course but also increasing national

awareness of the sport. We embarked on a three week national television awareness campaign with STV. Although we expect to continue to see the results of this into 2026 and beyond, there has already been positive signs that it has helped.

The increase of our brand awareness is there for all to see from the traffic on our website right through to the engagement with our social media content. Something we are very proud of this year is it is officially the 1st year we have passed 1 MILLION views on our Facebook content showing the immense appetite for what we are providing.

Gauging the impact of this work on social players out playing FootGolf was always going to be very difficult, however at club league level we have seen an increase to 209 registered club players across our league, an increase of 29%. This is the best we have seen since the league first began. At Regional & National Tour level we have seen more brand new players competing than in previous years showing us both this work and the pathway set out is working.

The other exciting news at the end of 2024 was the announcement that the Scottish Open 2025 would be an FIGG Major for the 1st ever time! This is an exciting milestone and an achievement for us all to be immensely proud of.



There are currently 65 member countries within the FIG and only 7 Majors were awarded for the year. A great deal of planning went into the Scottish Open this year, and what an event it turned out to be. The team worked effortlessly to put on such a magical tournament at the MacDonald Cardrona, something which has since been recognised by players from all over the world.

Something I feel we do better than most other countries is try to focus on building a system that isn't too top heavy, whether that be supporting social courses and clubs to run their own initiatives or supporting the club league to find and develop the next generation of FootGolfers. It is vital that a system exists allowing participants to find their own unique pathway within the game, whatever that may be. In 2026 it is hugely important we continue to focus on this and the results will continue to be positive.

I usually steer away from individual recognition when writing this end of year report, however I think it is important we acknowledge a very special achievement by Kyle McGreechin. Kyle made the decision to step back to Junior this season and it has proven to be a great decision as he has gone on to end the year as the number 1 Junior player in the world! There are lots of great achievements by our players this year and I would love to mention them all but I think you would all agree how special this one is.

I cannot end without issuing a huge thank you to everyone, from the board, committees and other volunteers who have helped in 2025 to make it another year to remember. Without all of you what this Association continues to achieve would not be possible.

I look forward to seeing what the next year in FootGolf holds for you all!

**Neil Shave, President**

## **Treasurers Report**

The statements have been presented on an accrual basis and in accordance with the terms of the Charities & Trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).



Tournament income is recognised when the tournament takes place. Entry fees received before a tournament are treated as ‘income in advance’.

Likewise, advances of course fees for future tournaments are treated as prepayments.

The Charity is exempt from audit.

**Nigel Shave, Treasurer**

## **Balance Sheet**

(£)

### **Current Assets (31st March 2025)**

FGAoS Bank Account and In Hand	17,974
Prepayments	11,968
Stock	4,969
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>34,911</b>

### **Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year**

Accounts Payable	2,688
Accruals	3,500
Income in Advance	21,552
<b>Total Creditors</b>	<b>27,740</b>

**Net Current Assets** **7,171**

### **Capital & Reserves**

Current Year Surplus	7,355
Surplus Brought Forward	(184)
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>7,171</b>

## **Income & Expenditure Statement**

<b>Income</b>	(£)
Annual Awards Night	1,480
Charitable Donations	3,000
Clothing / Markers	8,757
FIFG Membership Fees	1,530
Gift Aid	1,045
Membership Fees - Scotland Tour	1,054
Sponsorship & raffles	14,726
Tournament Income	105,708
<b>Total Turnover</b>	<b>137,300</b>
<b>Cost of Sales</b>	(£)
Clothing/markers/Accessories Cost of Goods Sold	6,524
Course Fees	77,734
Open Costs	11,850
<b>Total Cost of Sales</b>	<b>95,747</b>
<b>Gross Income</b>	<b>41,553</b>

<b>Expenditure</b>	(£)
Advertising & Marketing	267
Audit & Accountancy	168
Awards Night	1,400
Bank & Card Fees	2,264
Charitable Donations	56
Consultancy	9,075
Equipment	234
Euros Expenses	2,346
Event Management Software	2,388
FIFG Subscription	1,880
Insurance	92
Internet & Social Media Expense	1,025
Mileage Claims	2,248
Postage, Freight & Courier	15
Prize Money	6,725
Trophies	4,015
<b>Total Administrative Costs</b>	<b>34,198</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>7,355</b>

## **Development Report**

5 years! It doesn't feel that long since sitting at the start of the global pandemic coming up with the look and shape of a brand new association which would be held responsible for the development of the sport across the country.



Thinking back to the structure then, it hasn't really changed that much, we made a few tweaks in the early months as we looked at what worked well and what didn't, we added in a new role for sponsorship and funding, but other than that the base structure is still the same.

What we have changed is how the teams and committees work, taking on the feedback each year from the members and making sure that the association moulds to suit how you want it to be.

Over the years the association has grown considerably, looking at the faces which I now have the pleasure of spending weekends with at events, as well as being a lot more, the majority weren't playing in 2020, so it is great to see the growth of the sport across the country and the number of new players.

New courses and clubs have appeared, particularly in the last year with 3 new clubs taking part in the National Club League, which itself has developed considerably to ensure as many players as possible can take part in matches.

When speaking to courses and players, I am proud of what has been achieved by the association. Feedback I often get is about how dedicated the voluntary teams are, supporting players and courses so that they can gain the advantage whilst they grow. The course and player development officers have done great work to provide guidance to introduce new fun and challenging courses across

the country, and introduce new opportunities for taking part in the sport at all levels.

One of the key successes in 2025 has been the introduction of a separate dedicated junior series. Until this year juniors were more than welcome to take part in the main national and regional tours, but there has been very few in numbers that play. With the introduction of the new series this has introduced many new young people to the sport and opportunity to gain recognition for their sporting ability.

As well as nationally, the association has also continued to grow on an international front, drawing more attention and having a larger audience from around the world. 2025 saw a huge step forward in July when Scotland hosted one of the seven World Majors, putting all international focus on the country and its ability to host such special events to the highest global standard. The feedback from international star players also reinforced how well Scotland is governed, with many commenting on how the event was potentially the 'best in the world'.

We have seen 5 years of growth and success, and that is down to the dedication of the volunteers who are involved in all areas of the association. Over the years we have seen trustees, committee members, and volunteers step up and step back from roles they have taken on, all of whom have shaped the association to what it is today.

It has been an honour over the past 5 years to work with such dedicated individuals, and the membership, who have shown great love for the sport and its continued growth. I look forward to seeing how it continues to into the future as the sport gains more recognition and participation.

**Stuart Taylor-Pearson, Secretary**



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# Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Footgolf Association of Scotland

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 which are set out on pages 2 to 4.

## 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 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) of the 2006 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 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
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

Have been met

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