

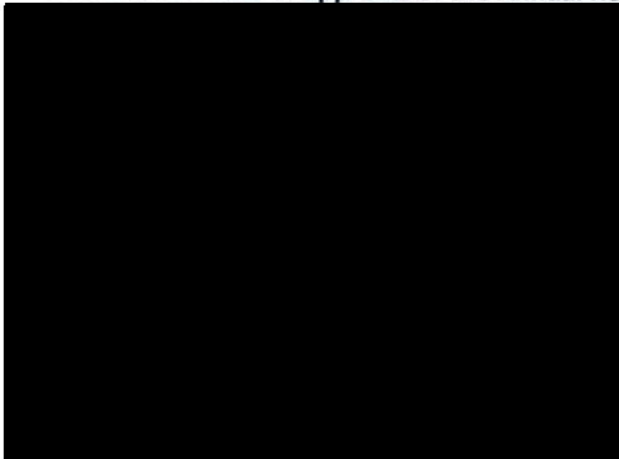
**BUTE ARTS SOCIETY**

Registered Charity Number SC020555

Principal Address: Tarfside, Ascog, Isle of Bute PA20 9EU

**Trustees' Annual Report for the period 1st July 2024 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

**Trustees at the date of approval of the Annual Report**



**Structure, Government and Management**

The governing document is a Trust Deed

Trustees are recruited and appointed by existing Trustees.

**Objectives and Activities**

The Society exists to foster, promote and increase the interest of the public, adults students and school pupils in cultural and fine arts, and to do so through the promotion of live classical and traditional music concerts on the Isle of Bute.

The Society promotes monthly concerts and occasional gala events to encourage artistes to perform for rural and island communities. This affords quality live music to island residents who would otherwise incur considerable travel and accommodation costs due to restricted ferry timetables. All concerts are free to students and schoolchildren.

**Performance in the period under review**

The number and scale of concerts has been increased and audiences also have increased.

In anticipation of the return of the piano loaned to the Society by the Rothesay Pavilion, a fundraising programme was initiated resulting in the delivery of a Yamaha concert grand piano in

early July 2025, thanks to the outstanding generosity of many national charities, businesses and individuals who collectively donated the £35,000 required.

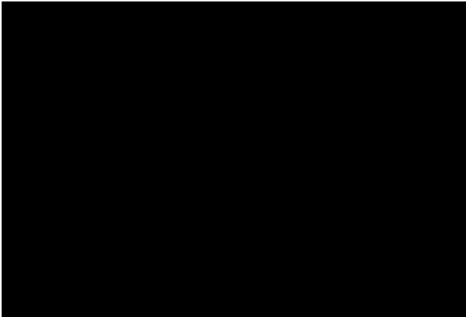
**Reserves**

The Trustees operate on the basis of holding a bank balance adequate to support continued concerts should donor support be interrupted.

The Society operated at a surplus during the period under review.

The Trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

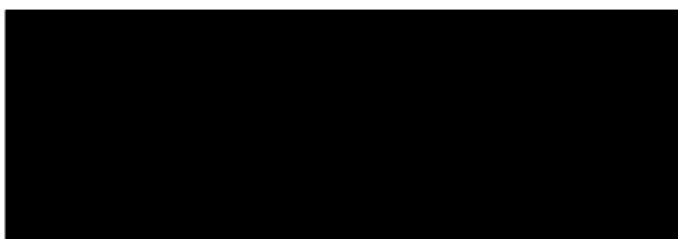
Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



**BUTE ARTS SOCIETY**  
Registered Charity No. SC020555  
**Income & Expenditure Account**  
1st July 2024 to 30th June 2025

Income	£
Ticket sales	17,136
Season Tickets	4,300
Grants	
Chamber Music Scotland	1500
For Bute	5000
Bute Island Foods	1000
Anonymous Donor	1700
Pear Tree Fund	4000
Syson Foundation	4000
Piano Appeal	9486
Argyll & Bute Council	4000
Spill the Beans	2000
Mann Foundation	1750
Bute Jazz	1000
Lord & Lady Bonamy	1000
Howat Trust	1000
Stafford Trust	3250
Hugh Fraser Foundation	2000
The Foyle Foundation	7500
	<b>50,186</b>
Sponsorship	
Donations	
Friends of Bute Arts Society	80
Patrons	2240
Fyne Homes	286
	<b>2,606</b>
Programme Advertising	550
	<b>74,778</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Artists' fees	24,653
Travel & Accommodation	3,232
Piano Tuning , move etc.	1,016
Advertising	1,806
Stationery, printing & postage	2,885
Making Music membership fee/PRS	1,585
Venue Hire	2,373
Website costs	732
Sundries	705
Cost of supporters' reception	259
Yamaha Piano purchase	34,985
Cash retained for Box office cash float	75
	<b>74,306</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>472</b>
Bank reserves at start of period	27,696
<b>Bank reserves at end of period</b>	<b>28,168</b>
<b>Box Office Cash Float</b>	<b>75</b>
	<b>28,243</b>
Deposit paid on HMS Pinafore 2025/26 f.y.	1062
Printing paid 2024/25 iro 2025/26	610
A&BC grant for Summer Season concerts 25/26	2000
Bute Jazz sonsorship of jazz weekend 25/26	1000
Advance ticket sales - summer season 25/26	2300
2025/26 patronage in advance	250
2025/26 season tickets in advance	210
	<b>7,432</b>
Uncommitted reserves are therefore	20,811

This excludes pledged donations not yet received.



Registered charity number SC 020555

**Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts for the period 01.July 2024 to 30 June 2025**

**Respective Responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The 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 (as amended). The 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 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

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

