

NEWTON STEWART PLAYERS
Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Scottish Charity No. SC046979

Accounts for the year ended

30 November 2023

Montpelier Professional (Galloway) Limited
1 Dashwood Square
Newton Stewart
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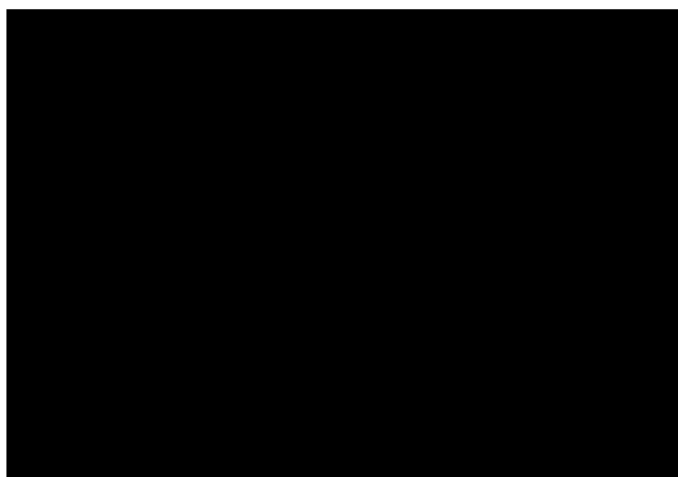
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Reference and Administrative Information for the period ended

30th November 2023

Registered Charity No: SC046979

Trustees:



Contact Address:

Accountants:

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Bankers:

Bank of Scotland
192 King Street
Castle Douglas
DG7 1DB

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Trustees Annual Report for the year ended

30 November 2023

The trustees present their annual report together with the accounts for the year ended 30 November 2023.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (an SCIO). It was registered in its current legal form on 15th November 2016.

Objectives and Activities

The objective of the Trust is to:

- To promote and develop community participation and involvement in all aspects of amateur dramatics.
- Promote the participation in amateur drama for the community and to work together with the members irrespective of age, sex, ethnicity, ability, religion, or political view.
- To advance and develop skills in theatre arts.
- To advance and develop skills in team work and communication for all ages.
- To work with groups of a similar nature and exchange information, advice, and knowledge with them including co-operation with other voluntary bodies, charities, statutory and non-statutory organisations.

Public benefit

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing their objectives and in planning their future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the objectives they have set

Achievements and Performance and Future Plans

Rehearsals for our annual pantomime, Snow white and the Seven Dwarfs, started in September 2022. This was the pantomime which was postponed from the previous year due to the pandemic.

Rehearsals continued until early December, apart from school holidays in October, and the pantomime started the week commencing 4 December with 7 performances including a Saturday matinee. Most performances were sold out but increasing costs meant that there was very little profit.

Two one act plays, a junior and a senior, were entered for the SCDA District Play Festival at the Fullerton Theatre Castle Douglas at the end of February. Neither play was successful and no awards were won.

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It was decided at the Committee Meetings that the Anderson Hall was becoming a burden and was unusable due to being vandalised and as the roof was leaking, it was becoming unsafe. A deal was made to rent the old Scott Stores from Gordon Jackson and the Club moved there and it was decided to put the Anderson Hall up for sale for a housing site. GAP were employed to carry out and advertise it.

Following some months in which the Anderson Hall was advertised for sale, it was purchased in May 2023 by a housing developer based in Newton Stewart. The committee will continue to look for a suitable permanent base of operations and would hope to relinquish the current rented accommodation by August 2024.

Membership throughout the year was very strong, both junior and senior, and several new members joined.

Financial Review

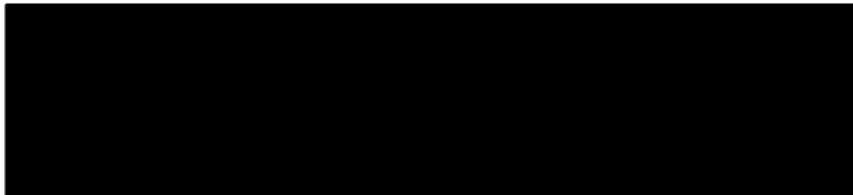
The charity had a profit for the year of £44,403 (2022: loss £10,569.)

Reserves Policy

The Trustees' Policy is to retain reserves of approximately three months expenses so that in the event of a significant drop in income the charity can maintain its current level of activities for a reasonable period until replacement funding is obtained. At the year end the charity held unrestricted cash funds of £55,386 (2022: £10,983), therefore the trustees consider the charity to be a going concern.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



Date.....

7th June 2024

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

I report on the accounts of the charity for the period ended 30 November 2023, which are set out on pages 4 to 6.

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 the 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 accounts.

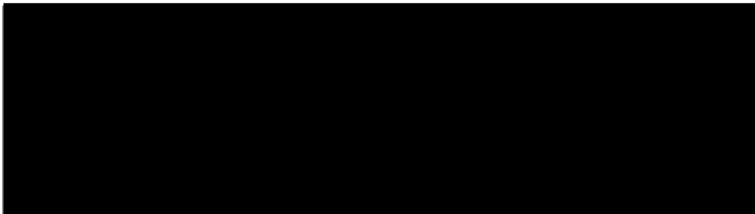
Independent examiner's statement

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 requirement
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulation and,
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations.

have not been met

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Receipts and payments account for the year ended 30th November 2023

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<u>Receipts</u>				
Pantomime tickets		3,825	3,825	631
Raffle		-	-	-
Programmes		-	-	-
Fundraising:				
Subscriptions/M'ships		547	547	-
Donations		400	400	500
Dance x-treme rent		-	-	194
Adverts		-	-	-
Sale of Anderson Hall		55,000	55,000	-
Total receipts		<u>59,772</u>	<u>59,772</u>	<u>1,325</u>
<u>Payments</u>				
Charitable activities	2	14,889	14,889	11,474
Fundraising expenses		-	-	-
Governance costs	3	480	480	420
Total payments		<u>15,369</u>	<u>15,369</u>	<u>11,894</u>
(Deficit)/Excess of receipts over payments		£ <u>44,403</u>	£ <u>44,403</u>	£ <u>(10,569)</u>

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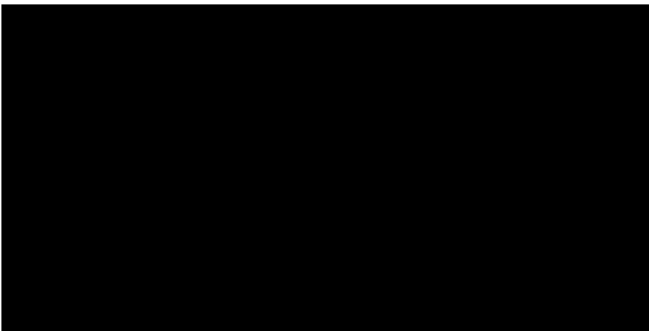
Statement of Balances

as at 30th November 2023

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2021</u>
Bank balance		
Opening balance - Main current account	10,346	20,915
- Junior account	637	637
- Movement in year	44,403	(10,569)
	<u>55,386</u>	<u>10,983</u>
Closing balance - Main current account	54,749	10,346
- Junior account	637	637
	<u>55,386</u>	<u>10,983</u>
Other assets		
Fixed assets - Anderson Hall	0	55,000
Total funds	<u>55,386</u>	<u>65,983</u>

The accounts were approved by the trustees on.....7/6/24.....

For and on behalf of the trustees



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Notes to the Accounts for the year 30th November 2023

1 Basis of Preparation

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis. They consist of a summary of all monies received and paid via the bank and in cash by the charity during the financial period, along with a statement of balances. No adjustments have been made for any income due but not received, or any expenses incurred but not yet paid at the period end.

2 Charitable Activities

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Gas			
Electricity/oil	(281)	(281)	-
SCDA Membership	947	947	561
Advertsing & printing	30	30	30
Scenery & transport	-	-	-
Insurance	-	-	-
Production costs	519	519	504
Ticket refunds	3,190	3,190	1,459
Miscellaneous	-	-	2,390
Legal fees	70	70	20
Rent/ venue hire	2,614	2,614	660
	7,800	7,800	5,850
	<u>14,889</u>	<u>14,889</u>	<u>11,474</u>

3 Governance Costs

Accountancy & bookkeeping fees			
	480	480	420
	<u>480</u>	<u>480</u>	<u>420</u>

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Notes to the Accounts Cont. for the year 30th November 2023

4 Trustees

No remuneration was paid to any charity trustee or to a person connected with the trustees

No expenses were paid to any trustee during the period.

5 Movement - Bank Funds

	<u>Opening Balance</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Closing Balance</u>
Unrestricted general fund	10,983	59,772	(15,369)	-	55,386
	<u>10,983</u>	<u>59,772</u>	<u>(15,369)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>55,386</u>

Unrestricted funds are available to use at the trustees discretion.

6 Related Partry transactions

No related party transactions occurred during the year.