

Annual Report for the year ending 31st January 2025

Chairperson	Gordon McGuire
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Treasurer	Jackie Maguire

February until January our letting of the rooms has been good. We have our main groups which are a Zumba, a Dance class, a knitting craft group and the WI. We also run a Larder, again to help the people of the village.

We also get a few birthday parties and for the past two years we have had an art exhibition. We are also lucky for the NHS to come to our small village to do jobs, which with an aging population this helps them. Letting out the rooms is our main purposes.

Unfortunately, Hannah had to give up being the Muirkirk Community Association Secretary, and we thank her for her time and effort and we welcomed Sylvia as the stand in until the next AGM.

All is quiet until October when we have to start getting ready for the Christmas madness. We have to sort the Village Christmas Lights and arrange for them to be put up by, unfortunately, the same village volunteers, every year, of which some are in there 70s. They need to be sorted and ready for the switch on. We had a Christmas Craft Fair in 2023, for our very talented local crafters, which went down quite well, enough for them to want us to do it again this year. So, this year we thought we need to let more people know about it and decided to get help from the Participatory Budgeting group [PB] to allow us to have music and a Face Painter for free. We sorted this out for the last weekend in November, which was Saturday 30th November and Sunday 1st December, finishing at 4pm Sunday to allow time to tidy up the hall and go down to the Switch on of the Christmas Lights in the Miner's Garden.

It seemed to all go well and if all goes well at the March AGM and we are voted in again we will start to organize and put dates out for this year's Christmas Craft Fair.



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