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Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	01	01	2025	To	31	12	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name	INVERNESS BLITZ
Other names charity is known by	HIGHLAND WILDCATS
Registered charity number	**SC037377**
Charity's principal address	25A CALEDONIAN ROAD
	INVERNESS
	Postcode IV3 5RB

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	VALERIE MACRAE	VICE CHAIR		
2	FIONA SCOTT	SECRETARY		
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Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

The Inverness Blitz has a governing document in the form of a constitution with two charitable goals, which is reviewed at each Annual General Meeting

Trustee recruitment and appointment

The trustees were recruited from the management committee which is made up of members and voted in at each Annual General Meeting.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

Our charitable purpose is detailed within our constitution.

1. To increase public participation in sport through the use of American Football
2. To improve citizenship and community spirit through the use of American Football

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

The provision of training and playing facilities for members.
Promoting and maintaining the highest standards of technical competence and safety in sports.
Providing equal opportunities for successful participation in the sport by all sections of the community.
Promoting a healthy and active lifestyle by educating members on healthy eating and providing fitness and conditioning sessions.
Encourage parents and other family members to participate as committee members.
Provide sporting opportunities that are less traditional to encourage people who wouldn't normally be involved in sports to take up a more active lifestyle.
Provide opportunities for young athletes to compete at a National Level by connecting them with the Scotland U19 team.

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Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

4. Activities during the year

During 2025, Inverness Blitz, operating as Highland Wildcats, continued to provide opportunities for children and young people to participate in American football.

The charity's main activities included:

- Providing regular American football coaching and training.
- Supporting junior players through the different stages of their development.
- Participating in competitive fixtures and organised events.
- Providing a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment.
- Encouraging teamwork, discipline, confidence and personal development.
- Supporting volunteer coaches and other club volunteers.
- Maintaining and purchasing playing, training and safety equipment.
- Arranging transport and other support required for games and activities.
- Raising funds to support the continued operation of the charity.

5. Achievements and performance

Throughout the year, the charity continued to give young people in the Highlands access to organised American football.

The charity provided structured training and competitive opportunities through its youth teams. Players were supported in developing their sporting ability, physical fitness, confidence, communication and teamwork.

Volunteer coaches and helpers gave their time to deliver training sessions, support players and assist with fixtures, fundraising and the general running of the organisation.

The trustees recognise and thank the players, parents, coaches, volunteers, supporters, sponsors and funders whose involvement made the charity's work possible during 2025.

The trustees believe that the charity's activities made a positive difference by giving young people opportunities to participate in sport, build friendships, improve their skills and become part of a supportive team environment.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The trustees recognise the importance of maintaining sufficient unrestricted reserves to protect the charity against unexpected costs, reductions of income and interruptions to its activities. The addition of a savings account in 2026 will help to try to create a reserve for the accounts going forward.
Details of any deficit	N/A
Donated facilities and services (if any)	N/A

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Other optional information

12. Declaration

This trustee has declared that they have approved the Trustees' Annual Report above.

Signature: Valerie J MacRae

Full name: VALERIE MACRAE

Position: ~~Chair~~ / Trustee

Date approved: 14/08/26

Date signed: 14/08/26

This trustee declares that they have approved the Trustees' Annual Report above.

Signature:

Full name: Fiona SCOTT

Position: ~~Chair~~ / Trustee

Date approved: 22/08/26

Date signed: 22/08/26