# ORKNEY ROWING CLUB (A SCOTTISH CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION) ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

### ORKNEY ROWING CLUB (A SCOTTISH CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION) LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

### Trustees



(Appointed 27 June 2024)

(Appointed 25 March 2024) (Appointed 25 March 2024)

(Appointed 27 June 2024)

Charity number

SC047947

Independent examiner

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### ORKNEY ROWING CLUB (A SCOTTISH CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION) COMMITTEE MEMBERS' REPORT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2025.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's written constitution, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2019)

### Objectives and activities

The charity's objects are to advance public participation in the sport of rowing in Orkney for both competitive and recreational purposes, to maintain the highest standards of safety and technical competence within the sport and to organise recreational activities associated with rowing to improve the conditions of life of Orkney residents and visitors.

### Achievements and performance

Following the AGM on 25th March 2024 the committee formulated a development plan for 2024/2025.

It is also to be noted that 2024 marked 10 years since the clubs inception, a get together for club members past and present was held in the Neuk on the 26th October with a good meal, many laughs and party games. Many thanks have to go to baking the 10th anniversary cake.

### Membership

Membership fees have increased to £40 for senior rowers (aged 18 years and over) and £20 for junior rowers (under 18's) and £2.50 per row. Thank you all for continuing to support the club as we will need to be mindful of our finances going forward. Following tonight's AGM the newly formed committee will meet to discuss membership fees etc. We continue to use the new online payments system which is working well.

### <u>Maintenance</u>

All boats are on a rolling maintenance programme with the most used or most in need of touch up or repair being prioritised. Members are encouraged to help with this to help grow their knowledge.

Members are encouraged to purchase their own lifejackets, but a few club ones are available for try a row and open day use, these were checked last year and any that didn't pass have been cable tied together.

Walkie Talkies are to continue to be used as the communication device for boat-to-boat chatting. They have a 10K clear radius. The VHF's are for emergency use or rowing regattas only.

Maintenance channel on Slack has been set up as a form of communication to let the members know how things are progressing thus avoiding jobs being done twice, also as a means of instruction as to what tasks are needing done.

Unfortunately due to a deterioration of the wood on Rinansay the boat will require major renovations to bring it back to a useable condition. A decision will have to be made by the new Committee if it is worth doing this or if the boat should be disposed of.

### Develop new shed

The condition of the shed is deteriorating, and we are currently unsure if it will be available for much longer due to the site being redeveloped by Orkney Builders who have been conducting excavations for test digs.

Orkney Rowing applied for and was successful in securing CLLD grant funding to conduct a feasibility study into the siting and construction of a purpose built shed at Hatston. The full proposal for this is scheduled to be submitted to the Orkney Islands Council by the end of March and the redundant Hydrogen refilling station has been identified as our preferred location.

### Rowing

There is a weekly rowing shout out rota in place and each member of the committee take turns on the rolling rota. This appears to an effective tool and feedback from the committee says it is working well. This system will continue going forward.

### ORKNEY ROWING CLUB (A SCOTTISH CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION) COMMITTEE MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

Anyone who wishes to try a row are included in a weekend row, they are allowed 2 free rows before asking if they would like to join.

Cost of each row is now £2.50, members receive a notification on Slack (from when 5 rows have been completed. Payment for rows continue to be made by BACS, reducing the need for cash payments.

No full memberships are taken out from November to March. Instead, we ask that any potential new members during this time pay £3 per row. It is then anticipated that a full membership will be taken out in the new membership year.

### Continue to develop junior rowing

Junior rowing has now been integrated into the main social rows at the weekend. We would like to encourage any 15-18 year olds to attend as this would be the future of our club

Big thanks to PVG holders for continuing to support the junior rowers.

### Continue to develop rowing and cox skills

We are all working hard to support the club. Training nights are run, where anyone interested in race rowing get more intense sessions centred around fitness and race craft, this helps boost the member's confidence. For the social rowing and coxing we encourage new coxes to have a shot when some more experienced rowers are on board to help them learn the skills.

### Annual Yoal

Due to the commitments of holding our own Skiff regatta in June and the low interest from Shetland Teams the Yoal regatta was not held.

### Skiff Regatta

Orkney Rowing Club held their 3rd St Ayles Skiff Regatta at Scapa Beach on Saturday 15th of June, with Golspie taking home the trophy this year. Four teams attended from the mainland for the regatta this year: Burghhead, Findhorn, Golspie and Port Seaton and Cockenzie. Results for the races were as follows:

50+ Women	1st Golspie	2 <sup>nd</sup> Orkney	3rd Burghhead,
50+ Men	1st Golspie	2 <sup>nd</sup> Orkney	3rd Port Seaton
40+ Mixed	1st Golspie	2 <sup>nd</sup> Orkney	3rd Port Seaton
50+ Mixed	1st Golspie	2 <sup>nd</sup> Orkney	3rd Port Seaton
Open Women	1st Orkney	2 <sup>nd</sup> Golspie	3 <sup>rd</sup> ROW
Open Men	1st Golspie	2 <sup>nd</sup> Port Seaton	3rd Orkney
40+ Women	1st Orkney	2 <sup>nd</sup> Golspie	3rd Port Seaton
40+ Men	1st Orkney	2 <sup>nd</sup> Golspie	3rd Port Seaton
Open Mixed	1st Golspie	2 <sup>nd</sup> Port Seaton	
Under 18 mixed	1st Orkney	2 <sup>nd</sup> Golspie	•
230 Mixed	1st Port Seaton	2 <sup>nd</sup> Orkney	3 <sup>rd</sup> Golspie

### Away events

Castle to Crane 7th September 2024

14 Club members competed in a race from Dumbarton Castle to the Finneston Crane in Glasgow. 13 miles up the Clyde in warm conditions rowing our St Avles skiff, Freya. The Open Women's crew

came 3rd in their category and 15th overall out of a field of 41

Rowing our St Ayles skiff Orkney Gold, the 50+ women (

came 3rd in their category and were placed 8th overall. Finally rowing our Shetland

Yoal Spangalang in the Double Scull, 3 or less category, our crew of cox won their category and were placed 2nd overall. Excellent performances from all our rowers Special thanks to NorthLink Ferries sponsorship to get the 3 boats there and back.

### Explore fundraising opportunities for club and nominated charities

Vintage Rally: we helped out by manning the carpark, the road closed signs and ticket booths on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of August. For this we received an excellent sum of £2000, thanks to the Vintage Club for this great donation.

### ORKNEY ROWING CLUB (A SCOTTISH CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION) COMMITTEE MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

The club attended the RNLI open day in Kirkwall on 1st June 2024 and the RNLI open day in Kirkwall on 30th June 2024 with the Gazebo and try a rows set up at both events. This generated interest for the club with some sales of club merchandise generating a bit of income at the same time.

The Double D's — club members carried out a charity row on the 22/23 November setting a new world record for a continuous row on a concept 2 machine for their age group. Their time was 34hours 34mins 34seconds beating the old record by 10 hours congratulations to them on beating the record. They donated a sum of £2,117.00 to the club, a fantastic sum, which we are very thankful for.

An Orkney Rowing club Quiz night was held on 17th January 2025 in the Girnel. This raised a sum of £530.00

A stall was manned at the KGS Christmas Fair on 16th and 17th November at which £164 was raised from the stall and raffle money

We also received sponsorship from NorthLink which assisted with travel to Castle to Crane

### Portion of land at Haston slip

We have acquired a portion of land next to the sailing club compound to create our own place to have our boat next to the slip. At the moment this land is getting cleared, albeit very slowly.

### Other activities

### Slack Activities

Slack has remained the main communication tool for the club and enables us to arrange all our club functions.

### Committee

The committee have continued to work in the background, holding regular meetings to manage any pending affairs pertaining to the functions of the club.

Each member of the committee has delegated responsibilities which enables the club functions to be allocated fairly.

In conclusion, the Club continues to remain strong with members engaging through our communication app 'Slack', regular training sessions throughout the year and attendance at competitive events.

I would like to thank the club and the committee for all their help and support over the last year, and hopefully we have managed to move things along a bit in terms of getting a permanent home for the club with our own facilities, I wish the club well for the future year ahead. I wish my successor all the very best for the year ahead.

### Financial review

Incoming resources in the year totalled £15,976 (2024: £8,316). Resources expended in the year totalled £13,475(2024: £11,478).

The charity's funds at the balance sheet date totalled £46,690 (2024: £44,189), including fixed assets with a book value of £20,469 (2024: £23,876).

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

### Structure, governance and management

The charity is a registered Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO), governed by a written constitution. The charity was registered on 23 November 2017.

### ORKNEY ROWING CLUB (A SCOTTISH CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION) COMMITTEE MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:



(Appointed 27 June 2024)

(Resigned 25 March 2024) (Resigned 22 January 2025) (Appointed 25 March 2024) (Appointed 25 March 2024)

(Appointed 25 March 2024 and resigned 27 June 2024)

(Resigned 25 March 2024)

(Resigned 25 March 2024) (Appointed 27 June 2024)

A minimum of four trustees are elected from the membership at the Annual General Meeting and serve for a term of two years.

A management committee of no more than eleven members manages the business of the Association. All committee members are elected at the AGM and serve until the following AGM. In the event of a vacancy between AGM's a new committee member may be co-opted to serve for the remainder of the term.

The committee members' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Committee Member

Date: 7/10/25

### ORKNEY ROWING CLUB (A SCOTTISH CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION) INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF ORKNEY ROWING CLUB

I report on the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 28 February 2025, which are set out on pages 6 to 13.

### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investments (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity's 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 financial statements 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 financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, 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 financial statements.

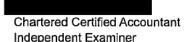
### Independent examiner's statement

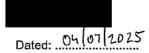
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - (i) 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 financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations;

have not been met or

(b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.





# ORKNEY ROWING CLUB (A SCOTTISH CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

	u	nrestricted Ur	restricted
		funds 2025	funds 2024
	Notes	£	£
Income and endowments from:			
Donations and membership fees	3	1,865	5,220
Charitable activities	4	5,724	1,356
Other trading activities	5	7,637	1,740
Other income	6	750	-
Total income		15,976	8,316
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds	7	628	1,492
Charitable activities	8	12,847	9,986
Total resources expended		13,475	11,478
Net income/(expenditure) for the year/			
Net movement in funds		2,501	(3,162)
Fund balances at 1 March 2024		44,189	47,351
Fund balances at 28 February 2025		46,690	44,189
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The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

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### ORKNEY ROWING CLUB (A SCOTTISH CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION) BALANCE SHEET

### AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2025

		2025		2024	
Fixed assets	Notes	£	£	£	£
Tangible assets	12		20,469		23,876
Current assets					
Stocks	13	972		_	
Debtors	14	254		254	
Cash at bank and in hand		29,295		20,539	
		30,521		20,793	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(4,300)		(480)	
Net current assets			26,221	<del></del>	20,313
Total assets less current liabilities			46,690		44,189
Net assets excluding pension liability			46,690		44,189
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The funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds			46,690		44,189
			46,690		44,189
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The financial statements were approved by the trustees on .....

Committee Member

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

### 1 Accounting policies

### **Charity information**

Orkney Rowing Club is a registered Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation, governed by a written constitution.

### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2019). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

### 1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

### 1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Income from fundraising activities is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business.

The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

### 1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred, and includes any VAT which cannot be recovered.

Expenditure on charitable activities comprises those costs incurred in the delivery of the charity's activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Plant and equipment

10% - 20% reducing balance basis

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

### 1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

### 1.8 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, overheads that have been incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition.

### 1.9 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits held at call with banks.

### 1.10 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

### Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

### Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors are initially recognised at transaction price. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

### Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

### 3 Donations and membership fees

		2025 £	2024
		Z.	£
	Donations and gifts	105	3,630
	Membership fees	1,760	1,590
		1,865	5,220
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	Donations and gifts		
	Income from other donations	105	3,630
		105 ====	3,630
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4	Charitable activities	2025	2024
		2025 £	2024 £
	Income received for rewing accessors		
	Income received for rowing sessions, marquee hire, prints and merchandise	5,724	1,356
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5	Other trading activities		
		2025 £	2024 £
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	Income from fundraising events	7,637	1,740
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### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

6	Other income		
		2025 £	2024 £
	Net gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets	750 =====	
7	Raising funds		
		2025 £	2024 £
	Fundraising and publicity Other fundraising costs	628	1,492
8	Charitable activities		
		2025 £	2024 £
	Depreciation and impairment Other administrative expenses	3,157 9,690	3,971 6,015
		12,847	9,986
9	Trustees		
	None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remunerative charity during the year.	ation or benefits	s from the
10	Employees		
	The average monthly number of employees during the year was:		

2024	2025
Number	Number
-	-

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

### 11 Taxation

Total

The charity is exempt from taxation as all its activities are charitable and all income is applied for charitable purposes.

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

12	Tangible fixed assets		
		Plant ar	nd equipment
	Cost		£
	At 1 March 2024		58,035
	Disposals		(1,000)
	At 28 February 2025		57,035
	Depreciation and impairment		-
	At 1 March 2024		34,159
	Depreciation charged in the year		3,157
	Eliminated in respect of disposals		(750) ———
	At 28 February 2025		36,566
	Carrying amount		<del></del>
	At 28 February 2025		20,469
	At 29 February 2024		23,876
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13	Stocks		
		2025	2024
		£	£
	Finished goods and goods for resale	972	-
		====	====
14	Debtors		
	Amounts falling due within one year:	2025 £	2024 £
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	Prepayments and accrued income	254 	254
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15	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
		2025	2024
		£	£
	Accruals and deferred income	4,300	480
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### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

### 16 Operating lease commitments

### Lessee

At the reporting end date the charity had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Within one year	550	550
Between two and five years	2,200	2,200
In over five years	7,425	7,700
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	10,175	10,450
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### 17 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year.