Queensferry Pipes & Drums

Registered Scottish Charity SC052022

Summary Annual Report: Year End Sept 2025

Membership:

We finished the year with 33 fully paid up members, an increase of 2 from the previous year.

Finance:

Working account year end £5739.03

Allan White Account year end £6462.05

This account was started after the band received a donation of £12,000 from the sister of the late Allan White who was a member of the old Queensferry Pipe Band in the 1990s. This fund is to be used for the benefit of the band for any cash shortfall on projects or day to day running costs. Along with helping out with uniform expenses it was used to fund coach travel for the World Championships in Glasgow and the Crieff Highland Games.

Assets

Drums: Purchased a new tenor drum and 3 pre-owned side drums and a few drum travel bags. These purchases were partially funded by the sale of 3 older tenor drums, 2 half size side drums and numerous older drum boxes

Uniform: Currently have a few spare kilts and jackets which can be altered to fit new members. Unfortunately as like last year that wasn't possible as the new member's required uniform items to be made for them due to size issues.

The band is now using a new kilt maker SB Kilts who are giving us a fair quicker turn around then the previous supplier. The uniform jackets and the rest of the accessories are supplied by RG Hardies in Glasgow.

Jobs:

Usual selection of Gala Days to choose from to take part in.

The band entered the RSPBA competition season for the second time, taking part in the Markinch Games, Dollar Contest, Bridge of Allan competition, British Championships in Edinburgh and "The Worlds" on Glasgow Green. All great experiences for all who took part securing first places in the band and drumming listing at Markinch with placings at Dollar and Bridge of Allan. The band were also happy with its placings in the other major competitions entered

Through agencies there was a few prestige corporate jobs at Rosslyn Chapel, Royal Yacht Britannia, Barnbougle Castle and Hopetoun House

Looking Forward

The band hope to continue gaining experience on the competition season

Hopefully we can secure further engagements through the corporate agencies.

Both Queensferry & Kirkliston have invited the band to play at their Christmas Light Switch On at the end of November

The band is constantly trying to recruit players no matter how experienced the people are. Being on the competition circuit will give the band extra exposure in the pipe band world and hopefully increase our membership.

Westport Veterinary Clinic were very happy to continue you with their small sponsorship for another year.

Other funding streams are being looked at

The band would like to thank the members of Lodge St Margaret 548 for their continued support for allowing their premises to be used for practice sessions at a discounted fee.

Signed



Dave Purves

Admin

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