



Tartan Army Children's Charity

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st March 2017

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The trustees of the Tartan Army Children's Charity (TACC) have the pleasure of presenting their annual report and the independently examined financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2017.

The charity is a registered Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) charity with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator, with the registration number SC038330.

On June 22nd, 2016, in order to align with the requirements of SCIO, a new Constitution was adopted.

On July 15th, 2016, the Tartan Army Children's Charity, Reg. Number SC038330 was entered into the Scottish Charity Register as SCIO.

A process to have the assets formally transferred to the new charity is ongoing.

Charity Activities

TACC had another excellent performance in the year 2016-2017, successfully continuing with their core programmes in Scotland and overseas. We were delighted again to be confirmed as the nominated charity of the Scotland Supporters Club (SSC).

Trustees Update

At the time of incorporation as SCIO on July 15th, 2016 the following trustees were in place.

Derek Clark
Sam Currie
David Dickson
Leah Forbes
Jim Hart
John McKendrick
Mandy Monaghan
Dorothy Wilson

In September 2016, Mr Rory Holmes was appointed as trustee and remains in position.

In September 2016, Mr Graeme Richards was re-appointed as trustee, but terminated his position in January 2017, citing personal reasons. Graeme remains as a charity Ambassador.

At the AGM of January, 2016 the following officers were appointed, and retained at the time of incorporation on July 15th, 2016

Chairman – Jim Hart
Secretary – Dorothy Wilson
Treasurer – Shirley Manson (non-Trustee)

Ambassadors Update

In 2016-2017 the number of charity Ambassadors across the UK increased from 25 to 42.

Charity address

The official address of the charity is the home address of the Chairman i.e.

Forest Lodge
Archiestown
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Charitable Programmes

My First Scotland Match. This programme is one in which TACC, with the first-class support of the Scotland Supporters Club (SSC), enables the participation of disadvantaged children, in groups throughout Scotland, to attend their first Scotland national football match. SSC generously provides TACC with a number of match tickets for each game and TACC provides each participating child with a new Scotland football shirt, £10 to spend and a Saltire flag to be waved. Periodically, when opportunity allows, additional treats are included in each child's package.



Throughout 2016, we were delighted to be able to extend the programme to include also the Men's Under 21 and Women's A team matches, enabling us to reach out to more children across the country.



The dates of the matches are dependent upon the fixture list of our national teams and, in the period, we were delighted to invite 97 children to the following games to include one young lady who was selected to be the players escort when our women's a team played Netherlands.

2016	Date	Venue	Children	75	Home location
Slovenia **	April 8	Paisley	Renfrew CS	11	Paisley
Iceland **	June 3	Falkirk	East Lothian CS and Dadswork	20	East Lothian
Macedonia*	Sept. 2	Tynecastle	East Fife (Wee Fifers)	21	Methil
Lithuania	October 8	Hampden	Braehead School,	7	Ayr (6)
Netherlands**	October 20	Livingstone	Yellow Teapot Club	16	Livingstone
2017				22	
Canada	March 22	Easter Rd	East Fife (Wee Fifers)	8	Methil
Slovenia	March 26	Hampden	Route 81	14	Garelochhead

* Men's Under 21s : ** Women's A



TACC FC. This programme is one in which TACC commits to fund and support a football based community group to facilitate expert football coaching while providing opportunities for disadvantaged children to learn and develop interpersonal and social skills. The training sessions are completed with a hot meal. Upon provision of acceptable performance reports, TACC will provide funding support for 3 years to enable a group to establish and progressively become self-supporting.

Kilmarnock FC in the Community



and outcomes.

In September 2016, the Community Department of Kilmarnock FC commenced the next TACC FC project, involving young people from the highest areas of SIMD in Kilmarnock being transported to Rugby Park to take part. In addition, work with children from Ayrshire Children's Services among others has already established some amazing performance results



Here's what the head teacher of one of the participating children had to say.

"I have been meaning to email personally to thank you for the wonderful opportunity you have organised for a number of my most vulnerable pupils through the Monday night football coaching and healthy eating. It is an inspiring project with great results with several children having direct impact from the project. One child's attendance has risen significantly because he is here every Monday and another child who had avoided PE until this project has started participating on a more regular basis. It also provides the only out of school activity/ experience one of our children gets in a week due to parental mental health issues – it has made such a difference to these children and your coaches were wonderfully patient and consistent – even with the most challenging !

Charitable Donations:

TACC accepts applications for awards from individuals and groups responsible for the care and wellbeing of disadvantaged children. In the last year, our awards have been able to cover a wide and very varied range of circumstances and need. We are delighted to have been able to support the following causes.

Frame Football: TACC are delighted to be the shirt sponsors of this relatively new initiative, formed with the support of Partick Thistle Charitable Trust. The project is aimed at bringing football to young people who otherwise would not see it as accessible, providing an opportunity to compete and/or take part in supervised coaching sessions with qualified coaches. These young people suffer from Cerebral Palsy and are unable to walk without the aid of a frame. They learn new skills, competing against others with similar disabilities while gaining confidence as well as building relationships.



North Berwick Community Centre: TACC were delighted to be able to provide a suite of soft toys for this multi-functional children's unit, who cater for the needs and requirements of several local children's groups



North Berwick Playgroup :

North Berwick nursery basic moves sessions :

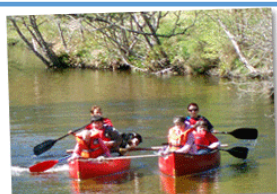
Healthy minds happy babies :

East Lothian Special Needs play scheme,

Stay and Play sessions,

Confident parents crèche.

They are able to reach out to those disadvantaged as a result of unemployment, low income, poor health and addiction, through a bursary scheme allowing free and half price places on the programme.



North Berwick Star Youth Group : This project, supported by TACC, will take a group of 25 disabled children on a residential week-end to the Speyside Trust in Badaguish, Aviemore which offers sessions of outdoor education, evening activities and all meals as well as appropriate hoisting systems, shower chairs and other necessary equipment.

Experienced youth workers and a team of young volunteers will build confidence, provide access to new activities, promote independence and life skills and provide an opportunity for members to have fun and spend time away from family.

TACC were delighted to be able to complete the funding requirement for a young lad, in Kilsyth, with cerebral palsy, to order a **new standing wheelchair**. Using this chair will enable him to move around independently and stand up whenever he chooses, and help him be more included in the activities of his local club, school and everywhere he goes.



Thanks to TACC, and a huge amount of personal commitment and effort, two young football teams will be living their dream of playing and competing in Barcelona 2017. The organisers, parents and coaches of **Dalziel Boys Club 2003's and Stonehouse Boys Club 2003's** have provided the background and support that will keep these young lads who are at a vulnerable age actively engaged and "off the streets". TACC's support will ensure that all the costs will have been met, ensuring the most disadvantaged will not be impaired due to parental financial circumstances. For these youngsters the international sporting inclusion, cultural and educational benefits will be immense.

We were also delighted to help out a **Tir Conaill Harps**, a Gaelic sports association who have their focus in Glasgow's east end, by providing them with sports and safety equipment, to encourage new membership from the under-privileged community.

Children with Cancer and Leukaemia Advice and Support for Parents (CLASP) asked for our assistance to help them purchase new i-pads for loan to their young people who may be absent from school for extended periods of time whilst undergoing treatment, feeling extremely isolated from the outside world and their families. The devices are used for educational purposes, to communicate with friends and to network with other young people in similar circumstances. TACC was delighted to be able to help.

TACC has been able to support **West of Scotland Downs Syndrome 'ShowDowns! Junior Company'** which has been running for 5 years with the aim of offering young people with Down's syndrome an opportunity to work alongside community arts volunteers to explore and develop their creativity and to build physical and social confidence. The project we were delighted to support is ambitious: planning to create an inclusive production, designed and developed over the course of a year by the 'ShowDowns! Junior Company', in collaboration with a drama artist, community arts volunteers and a live musician. The production is scheduled for December 2017.

Prestonpans Infant School have had proven success with a "Summer Lunch Club" in which they provided children who received free school meals, plus some children who had additional support-learning needs and who are among the most vulnerable and disadvantaged within the community, with a healthy and nutritious meal during school holidays to reduce inequalities and to improve the young people's long term attainment by tackling hunger and social exclusion. They asked if we could help them structure a similar programme in the February break, 2017 – of course we could. Here's what they said.

"I wanted to take the time to thank you again for the very generous donation TACC made to the February lunch club. The money donated meant that 130 lunches and snacks were served over the week, also 35 breakfasts. The club was attended by 32 children from 25 families."

The pilot project had a huge impact on all the families involved financially, emotionally and socially.

Overseas Donations

In keeping with our origins, TACC makes donations to children's organisations in those countries in which our national football team plays a qualifying match. This campaign, for the World Cup Finals in Russia, 2018 we made donations as follows.

Malta: The Ladybird Foundation is a voluntary group whose aim is "to provide joy and relief



to terminally, critically or seriously ill children based in the Maltese islands. Funds collected are used to give these children and their families the opportunity (sometimes the last opportunity) to go on vacation together, or otherwise spend quality time with each other."



Our donation, supported by the TA Select & Malta All Stars football teams was to a young man who already had a kidney transplant which in turn was now failing and who's aspiration was to visit his favourite football team – Bayern Munich. Thanks to TACC – successfully achieved.

Slovakia: Mládež Ulice (Street Youth), based in Bratislava, the project works with children and young people from socially disadvantaged communities, mainly through street outreach programmes (working in streets, playground etc.).

Among other things, the group provides social counselling, carries out preventive activities and offers a safe space for the children to spend leisure time in a meaningful way.

They asked if TACC could help them to purchase a place where they could call their own, to house their limited equipment and to provide a suitable place for supportive counselling. They chose a location in a Playpark, adjacent to the local police station.



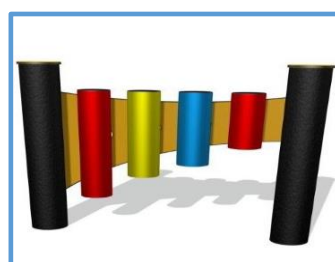
England: In recognition of our three Ambassadors who are resident in England, we were delighted to be able to make donations in



Lincoln: to the Children's Rainforest Ward at Lincoln County Hospital where the dedicated staff will transform a small room into a "chill-out area" for their longer-term patients.



Derby: to Springfield Primary School where they have 3 classes of children who all fall within the autistic spectrum. They are in the process of establishing a sensory garden and TACC were chuffed to be able to add to their outdoor musical orchestra.



Corby: to Corbie Youthie Group who run a youth facility, encouraging young people off the streets and also provide counselling and guidance to enable them to establish themselves with confidence into employment and society. TACC's donation helped them set up a secure storage facility for their activity equipment



Christmas Donation

TACC implemented our strategic intent by organising our Christmas donations party in Perth when we were delighted to be able to identify 4 local charities to be beneficiaries of our donations. Each local charity received £2,000 to enable them to progress their excellent work with disadvantaged children.



Fundraising

Throughout the year TACC continued to organise our monthly Lottery, raising £3,820, with 12 individual winners sharing an equivalent amount.

To address the World Cup 2018 qualifying campaign, we introduced a new tee-shirt with prominent design, re-launched the Pain/Pride shirt and for the match vs England in November created a unique 1967 “Keepie-Uppie” shirt. All sales were very popular in both the home (blue) and away (pink) colours. Further, we introduced a TACC hoodie which also proved popular.



Footgolf: In 2016, we repeated the popular and fun event at Palacerigg Course in Cumbernauld. 35 participants took part and a significant sum was raised.

24 Hour- 7-A-Side marathon football challenge. This was an event new to TACC, held at the Ravenraig sports facility in Motherwell and a competition between Saltires and Lion Rampants. All 34 participants survived the physical requirements, although the defences may have been a bit suspect with a final score of 506-440. Two of our trustees made their starring roles on the STV news bulletin.



Summer BALL. In 2016, we re-located our dinner dance to the Grand Central Hotel in Glasgow and this was a huge success with over 200 attending and dancing late to the fabulous “Scotland Rocks”. A specially commissioned painting “The Pitch of Dreams” by renowned artist, Ann Tocoda, was the highlight of the fundraising initiative.

TACC is run 100% by volunteers and is successful due principally to the contributions, efforts and sacrifices made by our many supporters, too many to mention individually, who all share the same ideals – to give our children a better chance in life. Our supporters raise funds in the name of the charity in ways that only they know are possible – their own way, and special thanks must go out to members of the Caledonian Brewery pipe band who have been steadfast supports of the charity’s work for many years, both individually and as a band.



Strategic objectives

TACC will continue to deliver a strong contribution to children’s causes in Scotland and in those countries in which our national team plays.

We will continue to deliver strong governance within a 100% voluntary framework.

We will look to strengthen our very positive relationship with the Scottish Football Association, seeking to be recognised again as one of their Nominated Charities.

We will take an active role in communicating and promoting the work done by the charity, extending the reach of our Ambassador program and look to consolidate and engage corporate sponsorship and support.

We will strive to ensure that our beneficial programmes are accessible to all parts of the country and make our support opportunities more easily accessible and available.

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For the year ended 31st March 2017

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Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ending 31st March 2017

		2016/17	2015/16
	Note	£	£
Receipts			
Donations	4	20,529	20,484
Receipts from fundraising activities	5	44,436	21,606
Gross trading receipts	6	4,073	2,864
Income from investments – bank interest		50	50
		<u>69,088</u>	<u>45,004</u>
Payments			
Expenses for fundraising activities	7	19,197	10,115
Gross trading payments	8	4,073	546
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	9	4,899	3,679
Grants and donations	10	48,856	58,643
Other expenditure		2,742	983
		<u>79,767</u>	<u>73,966</u>
(Deficit) for the year		<u>(10,679)</u>	<u>(28,962)</u>

The Notes on pages 15 to 17 form an integral part of these accounts.

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Statement of Balances — As at 31st March 2017
Funds Reconciliation

	2017	2016
Cash at Bank — 31 st March 2016	119,633	148,595
(Deficit) for year	(10,679)	(28,962)
Cash at bank — 31 st March 2017	108,954	119,633
Bank Balances — Current Accounts		
Current Accounts	108,954	119,633

The statement of financial activities includes all gains or losses recognised in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

All funds are unrestricted.

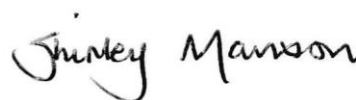
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Approved by the trustees on April 30th, 2017 and signed on their behalf by:



James Hart

Chairman



Shirley Manson

Treasurer

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Notes to the Accounts For the year ended 31st March 2017

1 Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts & Payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

2 Nature and purpose of funds

Unrestricted funds are those that may be used at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. The trustees maintain a single unrestricted fund for the day-to-day running of the Charity.

3 Related Party Transactions

No remuneration was paid to the trustees or to any connected persons during the year (2016: Nil). Trustee expenses of £614 (2016 - £Nil) were donated in full back to the charity.

	2016/17	2015/16
4 Donations received	£	£
Corporate donations (including corporate matching schemes)	8,263	8,000
Individual and other donations – raffles, auctions and other events	12,266	12,484

5 Receipts from fundraising activities

TACC Kiltwalk	6,179	3,674
TACC Lottery	7,530	7,474
24 hour Football Challenge	11,576	-
TACC Dinner Dance/Christmas Party	13,875	6,552
Misc Fundraising	5,276	3,906

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6	Gross Trading Receipts	2016/17	2015/16
		£	£
	Includes the sale of t-shirts, badges, books, polo shirts and Christmas cards	4,073	2,864
7	Expenses for fundraising activities		
	TACC Lottery	3,467	5,140
	TACC 24 hour Football Challenge	4,685	-
	TACC Dinner Dance/Christmas Party	9,265	3,785
	Fundraising costs	1,780	1,190
8	Gross trading payments		
	Expenses relating to the sale of t-shirts, badges, polo shirts, books, water bottles and Christmas cards	4,073	546
9	Payments relating directly to charitable activities		
	My First Scotland Match	4,899	3,679

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2016/17
2015/16
£
£
10 Grants and donations

Grants and donations included the following: -

Aberdeen FC Community Trust	-	26,163
Includem	-	5,000
TACC FC Kilmarnock	8,100	-
Ladybird Foundation (Malta)	5,250	-
Slovakia Street Youth	4,410	-
LauraLynn Children's Hospice - Dublin	-	6,182
Foundation Jonas - Georgia	-	5,140
Little Smiles - Gibraltar	-	4,883
Circle	-	5,000
St Paul's Ruchazie	-	5,000
Blake McMillan	2,500	-
Partick Thistle Charitable Trust	3,400	-
Springfield School	2,190	-
Lincoln Rainforest	2,000	-
Corby Youthie	2,044	-
Showdowns	2,000	-
Perth Autism Group	2,000	-
SHIP & Splash	2,000	-
Dads Rock	2,000	-
Togs for Tots to Teens	2,000	-
Brett Brough – Wheelchair	2,000	-
Miscellaneous donations <£2,000 each	6,962	1,275