Clan Maclean Heritage Trust Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2019

Scottish Charity Number SC024481

Principal address

The Gables, Station Road, Balfron, Glasgow G63 0SX

Current trustees

Sir Lachlan Maclean of Duart and Morvern
The Very Rev Allan Maclean of Dochgarroch
Mrs Fiona Maclean of Ardgour
Mr Hector McLean
Mrs Vera MacLean
Mr Ian MacLean (Canada)
Mr Alan McLean (France)
Brigadier John MacFarlane
Mr Mark Myers (USA)
Mr William Douglas

There were no other Trustees who served during the year

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The manner of appointment of trustees is detailed in our Deed of Trust. The Chief of Clan Maclean (at present Sir Lachlan Maclean of Duart and Morvern) is a Trustee ex officio, as is the President of the Clan Maclean Association (at present Mrs Vera MacLean). The Chief appoints one trustee (at present William Douglas, nominated March 2017). The Clan Maclean Association nominates two trustees (at present Alan McLean, nominated in October 2011, serving until 2021, and Hector McLean, nominated in September 2014). Other trustees are co-opted by the Trust as and when it is thought that extra skills are needed. At present the co-opted Trustees are: Fiona Maclean of Ardgour, nominated in September 2006; Ian MacLean nominated in March 2010; Allan Maclean of Dochgarroch, nominated in November 2014; Brigadier John MacFarlane nominated in March 2015, and Mark Myers, nominated in March 2018.

Trustees, apart from the ex-officio trustees, normally serve for a five-year term, but this is renewable.

Trust Representatives

The Trust, appoints Trust Representatives in the Clan Associations in which the Trust is not represented by a Trustee. Representatives have been appointed as follows: Peter MacLean (Western Australia), Marcus MacLean (New South Wales), Pat McClean (Pacific North-West), Gordon McLean (Clan Maclean Association in Australia Inc.) and Dr Leslie H. McLean (Clan Maclean Association in the United States, formerly Clan Gillean USA). The function of the Representatives is to promote the Trust and to preserve the Clan Heritage in their regions.

Governing document

The Trust is a charitable unincorporated association. Its purposes and administration arrangements are set out in our Deed of Trust dated 5th March 1996. The trustees are in the process of revising the Deed of Trust in order to comply with the new OSCR requirements.

Charitable purposes

Our purposes, as recorded in our Deed of Trust, are the promoting and advancing the education of the public in the history, traditions and music of the Clan Maclean.

In furtherance of these purposes the Trust undertakes the following activities:

- (a) it commemorates famous events in the history of the Clan by erecting cairns on relevant sites;
- (b) it records and publicizes the significant contributions of Macleans in various fields by installing memorial plaques on buildings associated with them;
- (c) it contributes to the restoration of important buildings associated with the Clan;
- (d) it acquires, restores and preserves books and manuscripts about distinguished members of the Clan and its history, and makes them available to the public;
- (e) it produces publications, and maintains a website, that educate the public in the history and traditions of the Clan Maclean, as well as promoting other educational activities relating to the history and culture of the Clan;
- (f) it funds a piping bursary for young Macleans at the College of Piping in Glasgow; and assists in the financing of piping tuition and pipe bands in the Maclean clan lands. and
- (g) it sponsors competitions in the playing and composition of pipe music and in Gaelic choral singing.

The Trust pays particular attention to activities aimed at younger members of the Clan and children generally.

Chairman

Allan Maclean of Dochgarroch is Chairman, appointed when John MacFarlane was taken ill, with a successor to be appointed in March 2021. Allan is a past Chairman of the Trust

Secretary

William Douglas has continued as Secretary of the Clan Maclean Heritage Trust. He is also a trustee.

Treasurer

The work of Treasurer has been undertaken in the year ending 31st March 2019 by William Douglas. A new Treasurer is being sought.

Income

The income for the Trust for the year ending 31st March 2019 is £4692, compared to £8,093 in the year to the 31st March 2018. This decrease is largely due to the extra number of Friends who joined in 2017 during the International Gathering, and because the large number of Macleans at the Gathering gave generous donations.

'Death or Victory - Tales of the Clan Maclean' by Fiona Maclean of Ardgour, has sold very well over the year.

Activities and Achievements

In our principal project during the year, we shared the cost with the Clan Maclean Association Atlantic Canada, of a memorial day to remember WWI heroine, Nursing Sister Lieutenant Rena McLean, at her birthplace, Souris, Prince Edward Island. She was drowned when the "Landovery Castle", was torpedoed by a German U-Boat on June 27, 1918. The sinking was known as the deadliest Canadian naval disaster of the war. Two story boards, one of which can tour schools, tell the account of Nurse Rena.

The annual award in memory of Lady Maclean continues at £100, to help a local choir to go to the Mull and Iona Mòd.

The Argyll Piping Trust was awarded a further grant of £1500, but the payment on this did not come through in time to be included in the annual accounts for the year.

A grant was made to the Tobermory and Iona school pipers for additional uniforms. They wear Clan Maclean tartan.

The Trust continues to support the Mull Museum who maintain the Maclean Library, and house the archives of the Trust.

A directory of 'Eminent Macleans' for the use of the Trustees was formerly maintained by the late Nigel Alington, and is now kept up to date by Hew Dundas.

A project to mark the burial place of Sir Lachlan Mor Maclean, at Kilchoman, who was killed on Islay in 1598, had to be abandoned for safety reasons, as it was too near to the ruinous old church building. This was disappointing.

The Friends received a Newsletter which included several articles of interest about the history of the Clan Maclean.

Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults

The Trust does not have any children or vulnerable adults as individual beneficiaries, since our beneficiaries are all organisations (e.g. Mull Pipe Band), not its members.

Data protection.

The Trustees considered the implications of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), and considered the trust to be compliant as all Friends have opted in to receive correspondence.

Trustees

The death in June 2018 of former Trustee and Treasurer, Nigel Alington, was a great loss to the Trust, as he advised us on many matters especially on the financial side, and in relation to our compliance with OSCR regulations.

Reserves

For the year ending 31st March 2019 there was a surplus of £1090 compared with a surplus of £2130 for the year ending 31st March 2018. The Trustees are confident that the Trust is in a sound financial state for the funding of future projects.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf

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The Very Rev Allan Maclean of Dochgarroch

Chairman

Date: 1 December 2019.

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Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year to 31st March 2019

	Notes	2019	2018
		£	£
RECEIPTS			
Donations			
Friends subscriptions		1,375	4,325
HMRC - Gift Aid		479	
General donations		285	1,667
Donations to Lady Maclean Fund		67	
Total donations		2,205	5,992
Gross trading receipts			
Death or Victory - Tales of the Clan Maclean		2106	1,228
Pipe Music of the Clan Maclean		86	452
Maps		163	211
Total trading receipts		2,355	1,891
Receipts from investments			
Interest from Fixed Term Account		80	126
Interest from 32-Day Notice Deposit Account		52	84
Total receipts from investments		132	210
Total receipts		4,692	8,093
PAYMENTS			
Payments relating to charitable activities			
Lady Maclean Award		100	100
Mull Museum		100	100
Kilties book production		-	264
Argyll Piping Trust		-	1,500
Mull and Iona School Pipers		400	=
Piping bursary		-	1,010
Archive acquistion		-	75
Nurse Rena		846	
Drimnin monument			1,300
Total payments relating to charitable activities		1,446	4,349

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	Notes	2019	2018
		£	£
PAYMENTS (continued)			
Gross trading payments			
Death or Victory - Tales of the Clan Maclean			
 Printing and delivery 		829	797
 Postage and packing 		132	238
Pipe Music of the Clan Maclean			
 Postage and packing 			46
Maps			
 Postage and packing 		31	87
Total trading expenses		991	1,168
Expenses for fundraising activities			
Printing		_	5
Zettle charges		-	2
Newsletter printing and postage		651	
Secretarial expenses			_
Total expenses for fundraising activities		651	7
Governance costs			
Secretary's honorarium		300	300
Room hire		214	140
Total governance costs		514	440
Total payments		3,602	5,964
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		1,090	2,130

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Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2019

	Notes	2019	2018
		£	£
ASSETS			
Bank and cash in hand			
Opening balance		6,420	4,374
Transferred to deposit		(2.500)	
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Surplus/(deficit) for year less interest retained in		1,090	2,130
deposit account		(52)	(84)
Closing balance		3,958	6,420
Closing balance (per bank			
statement)		2,992	4,800
Closing balance in PayPal account		966	1,620
Closing balance		3,958	6,420
Closing balance		3,730	0,120
Investments			
32 day notice account		13,688	10,136
Fixed Term Deposit		10,000	10,000
•		23688	20136
Stock	8		
Death or Victory		37	223
•		37	223
Total assets	7	27,683	26,779
RESERVES	2		
General funds		22,058	21,121
Lady Maclean Fund		1,850	1,883
Fitzroy Maclean Fund		3,775	3,775
	7	27,683	26,779

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Statement of Balances as at 28 February 2019 (continued)

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2019

- 1. 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. The nature and purpose of the funds are described in the Annual Report. All the funds unrestricted, although the Lady Maclean Fund is designated by the Trustees for use in projects involving young people. The Fitzroy Maclean Fund is an expendable endowment fund.
- 3. All receipts and payments during the year related to unrestricted funds.
- 4. Donations and payments made via PayPal are included net of PayPal's charges.
- 5. Details of the grants made during the year are included in the annual report.
- 6. No remuneration was paid to any Trustee during the year. One Trustee and the Secretary were reimbursed for costs which they had paid personally on behalf of the Trust. There were no other transactions between the Trust and any Trustee or person connected to a Trustee during the year.
- 7. The discrepancies between assets and reserves are due to rounding differences. For management purposes the Trust accounts to the nearest penny.
- 8. Stock is valued at the lower of its cost and its net realisable value.