Clan Maclean Heritage Trust Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021

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 (Chairman from March 2017)

Mrs Fiona Maclean of Ardgour

Mr Hector McLean

Mr Ian MacLean (Canada)

Mr Alan McLean (France)

Brigadier John MacFarlane

Mr Mark Myers (USA)

Mr William Douglas

Mr Peter Maclean Docherty

Mrs Anne Maclean of Dochgarroch

Mrs Vera MacLean

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 Anne Maclean of Dochgarroch, elected October 2019). 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, serving until 2024). 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, Mark Myers, nominated in March 2018, Peter Maclean Docherty, nominated in September 2018, and Mrs Vera MacLean, nominated March 2019.

Trustees, apart from the ex-officio trustees, normally serve for a five-year term, but this is renewable. However, with the current difficulties due to the pandemic, Alan, Fiona, Ian and Mark agreed to extend their terms to 2023.

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), and Gordon McLean (Clan Maclean Association in Australia Inc.). 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.
- (g) it sponsors competitions in the playing and composition of pipe music and in Gaelic choral singing.
- (h) it informs the Friends of many aspects of the clan's heritage and history.

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

Trust Meetings

There have been two trust meetings during the year, in September and March. Both meetings were held by zoom digital platform. We were very pleased that this enabled more trustees to attend than had been possible in the past.

Chairman

Allan Maclean of Dochgarroch is Chairman, appointed when John MacFarlane was taken ill, with a successor to be appointed in time for the Clan Gathering in June 2023. 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 2021 by William Douglas. He has agreed to continue in this post, now that he has suitable support.

Income

The income for the Trust for the year ending 31st March 2021 is £2299, compared to £6533 in the year to the 31st March 2020. This decrease is largely because in the previous year there had been unusually high sales of 'Death or Victory - Tales of the Clan Maclean' by Fiona Maclean of Ardgour, and a generous donation.

We are very grateful for the subscriptions of the Friends of the Clan Maclean Trust.

Activities and Achievements

Our activities have been considerably curtailed by the pandemic, though various projects are waiting for circumstances to allow completion or are in the planning stage.

The Secretary and several other trustees, especially Anne, John and Allan, have begun preparing much of the contents for the Virtual Gathering to be held in June.

Ian MacLean began work on our major project, the 25th anniversary Record of Achievements, with help from William, Allan and Fiona. A decision was made that this book would be printed 'on-demand' and the trustees are grateful to Doug McLean, Canada, and Ian for agreeing to manage the process. A search is in hand to find an editor to assist Ian.

The annual award in memory of Lady Maclean to help local choirs to go to the Mull and Iona Mòd was extended for the first time to those attending the Ardnamurchan Mòd.

The Trust has been gifted a collection of papers of Allan Maclean (1858 – 1918), a son of Surgeon General Andrew Maclean of the Drimnin family, and a younger brother of the Kaid Sir Harry Maclean, and a hand-list is being prepared of the contents.

The commemorative plaque at Kilnave, on Islay, was not completed due to the temporary unavailability of suitable slate.

The importance of Fort Dewart in USA, which the Trust has already supported, has now been added to the US National Register of Historic Places, and the Trust has contributed to the revised commemorative noticeboard.

The Trust hoped to purchase the important and interesting medals, and accompanying paperwork, of General Allan Thomas Maclean, of the Pennycross family. The Trust bid up to £15,500 [plus buyer's premium] but was unsuccessful.

The Piping Bursary was awarded to Alastair Maclean, Kilmartin, but it could not be taken up due to the Piping College only offering the teaching on-line, and because Alastair's chaperon was not available.

The Trust continues to support the Mull Museum who maintain the Maclean Library, and house the archives of the Trust. We maintain a directory of 'Eminent Macleans' which is continually kept up to date.

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 did not have any children or vulnerable adults as individual beneficiaries.

Data protection.

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

Reserves

For the year ending 31st March 2021 there was a deficit of £735 compared with a deficit of £1278 for the year ending 31st March 2020. The deficit was due, as in the previous year, to a further interim payment on the cost of up-grading the Trust Deed. 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

The Very Rev Allan Maclean of Dochgarroch, Chairman

Allan Macleon of Doshgarvich

Date: 11 November 2021.

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Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Financial Year 2020-2021

	Notes	31st March 2021	31st March 2020
		£	£
RECEIPTS			
Donations			
Friends subscriptions		1,187	1,422
HMRC - Gift Aid		-	-
General donations		308	1,504
Donations to Lady Maclean Fund		4.405	101
Total donations		1,495	3,028
Gross trading receipts			
Death or Victory - Tales of the Clan Maclean		452	2,758
Pipe Music of the Clan Maclean		180	304
Maps		51	154
Total trading receipts		682	3,216
Receipts from investments			
Interest from Fixed Term Account		110	190
Interest from 32-Day Notice Deposit Account		11	99
Total receipts from investments		121	289
Total receipts		2,299	6,533
PAYMENTS			
Payments relating to charitable activities			
Lady Maclean Award		200	200
Mull Museum		100	100
Argyll Piping Trust		-	3,000
Fort Dewart		150	
Total payments relating to charitable activities		450	3,300

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Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Financial Year 2020-2021 continued

	Notes	31st March 2021	31st March 2020
PAYMENTS (continued)		£	£
Gross trading payments Death or Victory - Tales of the Clan Maclean			
 Printing and delivery Pipe Music of the Clan Maclean 		286	1,934
 Postage and packing Maps 		53	100
Postage and packing		49	116
Total trading expenses		387	2,150
Expenses for fundraising activities			
Newsletter printing and postage		270	-
Secretarial expenses		-	499
Total expenses for fundraising activities		270	499
Governance costs			
Secretary's honorarium		300	300
Legal Fees		1,080	1,320
Accountancy fees		500	100
Room hire		48	144
Total governance costs		1,928	1,864
Total payments		3,034	7,812
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		(735)	(1,279)

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Statement of Balances as at 31st March 2021

	Notes	31st March 2021	31st March 2020	
		£	£	
ASSETS				
Bank and cash in hand				
Opening balance		2,470	3,958	
Transferred from deposit accounts		10,110	=	
Surplus/(deficit) for year		(735)	(1,279)	
less interest retained in deposit account		44.4		
		(11)	(209)	
Closing balance		11,834	2,470	
Closing balance (per bank statement)		44.605		
Closing balance in PayPal account		11,625	1,125	
Closing balance		99	1,345	
closing balance		11,724	2,470	
Investments				
32 day notice account		13,798	12 707	
Fixed Term Deposit		13,736	13,787	
2.500		13,798	10,110 23,897	
Stock		13,730	25,697	
Death or Victory	7	202	348	
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		202	340	
Total assets		25,834	26,715	
RESERVES	2			
General funds		20,408	21.088	
Lady Maclean Fund		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Fitzroy Maclean Fund				
Lady Maclean Fund		20,408 1,651 3,775 25,834	21,088 1,851 3,775 26,715	

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Statement of Balances as at 31st March 2021 (continued)

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021

- 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).
- 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. Stock is valued at the lower of its cost and its net realisable value.