

The Scottish Beekeepers' Association

Registered Charity No. SCO 09345

Financial Statements and Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 December 2014

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General information

Charity name	The Scottish Beekeepers' Association
Registered charity number	SCO09345
Principal address	36 Newtown Cupar Fife KY15 4DD
Trustees	
Bronwen Wright (President)	
Anthony Harris (General Secretary)	
Ian Rollo (Treasurer)	
Phillip McAnespie	
Una Robertson	
Janice Furness	
Nigel Southworth	Resigned 15 March 2014
Enid Brown	
Philip Moss	
Alan Riach	
Charles Irwin	
Alasdair Joyce	
Gavin Ramsay	Appointed 15 March 2014
Margaret Thomas	
Ann Chilcott	Appointed 9 th December 2014 on change to SCIO
John Coyle	Appointed 9 th December 2014 on change to SCIO
Stephen Palmer	Appointed 9 th December 2014 on change to SCIO
Michael Thornley	Appointed 9 th December 2014 on change to SCIO
Bankers	Bank of Scotland Dyce Branch P O Box 1000 BX2 1LB
Solicitors	Taggart Meil Mathers 20 Bon Accord Square Aberdeen AB11 6DJ
Independent Examiner	Lynne Ramsay CA 11 Chancelot Terrace Edinburgh EH6 4SS

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Report of the Trustees

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014.

Status

This SCIO was incorporated on 09 December 2014 as a result of a Change to SCIO application by Scottish Beekeepers Association, which was an unincorporated association registered as a charity since 14 October 1942.

Structure

The activities of the Association are ultimately controlled by the Trustees, who meet regularly throughout the year

Trustee recruitment

Trustees are appointed, or reappointed, at the Annual General Meeting, held in March each year.

Objectives and activities

The organisation's purposes are to support honeybees and beekeepers, to improve the standard of beekeeping, and to promote honeybee products in Scotland through:

- The advancement of education in relation to the craft of beekeeping;
- The advancement of the heritage, culture and science of beekeeping; and
- The advancement of environmental protection by conservation of the honeybee. To promote beekeeping and encourage all interested in the art and science of beekeeping, stressing the benefits that beekeeping confers on agriculture and horticulture

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Principal activities in the current year

Change to S.C.I.O.	<p>It has been a busy year for the SBA as we conducted a ballot of our members on the proposed change to a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Association. The change was overwhelmingly supported by the membership and we were finally accepted as a Scottish Incorporated Charitable Organisation on 9th December. The transfer of assets is still ongoing and 2015 will continue be a year of transition as we move forward with our new constitution.</p>
Promotion of Beekeeping & Shows	<p>We continue to promote beekeeping and honey bee conservation throughout Scotland and are developing a strategy to enable us to engage more with more young people in schools.</p> <p>Honey Shows which include displays, competitions, education and engagement with the public are an important part of the year's activities. The SBA worked successfully with Artlink, an arts and disability organisation, to create a welcoming and interesting display for the 2014 Royal Highland Show, Edinburgh. There was also an SBA presence at the Scottish National Honey Show, Dundee, Gardening Scotland, Edinburgh, and a variety of other honey and agricultural shows throughout Scotland.</p> <p>We also engage with our members and the public via the Scottish Beekeeper magazine, our website and an interactive discussion forum.</p>
Education	<p>To address our charitable purpose of the advancement of education in relation to the craft of beekeeping, the SBA has in 2014 conducted written and practical examinations and provided courses and workshops for beekeepers.</p> <p>It remains one of our prime aims to improve the standard of beekeeping in Scotland. There was an excellent uptake of candidates applying to sit our Practical beekeeping examinations in 2014. Seventy one candidates were successful in obtaining their Basic Beemaster Certificate with Distinction in 2014, the highest number since 1946.</p> <p>Instructional courses were held throughout Scotland to allow the maximum number of beekeepers to attend. Subjects included wax preparation and candle making, skep making and honey processing.</p> <p>Our Autumn Convention, held in Dumfries in September was well attended and two excellent speakers Ian Molyneux Regional Bee Inspector for the North of England, and Simon Rees of the Federation of Irish Beekeeping Associations were warmly received and appreciated by an enthusiastic audience.</p>
Members meetings	<p>Members meetings were particularly important in 2014 as we kept our members informed of the change process to SCIO. Two members' meetings were held, the AGM in March and the Council Meeting in November and the trustees held six committee meetings in the year. The annual Local Association Secretaries' Meeting, an opportunity for LA Secretaries to meet and exchange information and views, was held prior to the Council Meeting.</p>
Local Associations	<p>Two new Local Associations affiliated to the SBA during the year, Sunart, Ardnamurchan, Moidart and Morvern and Lanarkshire BKA. One local association, Bute BKA, has de-affiliated which means the SBA currently has 45 Local Associations.</p>

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Research Projects SBA support continued to be provided to two bee research projects in Scotland throughout the year.

Bee samples were provided to a group at Aberdeen University carrying out important work on the Honey Bee Tracheal Mite.

Samples were also provided to Dr Chris Connolly's group at Ninewell's Neurology group for their Nosema studies. This latter activity has led to the Biotechnology & Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC) awarding a grant to Dr Connolly for a Knowledge Transfer project (Citizen Science). This involved training 9 SBA Beekeepers to use the Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) techniques developed during the Dundee Nosema project. The Advanced Microscopy and PCR work continued to be supported by the Science and Advice for Scottish Agriculture Labs (SASA).

Results have been encouraging and resulted in new laboratory techniques being implemented.

This project has had special mention from the BBSRC and has been shortlisted for the Community Engagement section of the Scottish Enterprise Life Sciences Awards.

National Stage Meetings with Scottish Government, Council of National Beekeeping Associations in the UK and Ireland (CONBA), National Diploma in Beekeeping, Food Standards Agency, mean that the SBA remains prominent on the national stage.

The SBA successfully applied for membership of Apimondia, an international apicultural congress, with a view to investigating holding the event in Scotland in the future. This would be a real coup!

Membership

UK Full Members	979
UK Family Members (Primary)	193
UK Family Members (Secondary)	196
Life Members	10
Total Voting members	1378

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Report of the Trustees (continued)

Reserves

The trustees have set a reserve fund of 1 and a quarter times the annual income for 2015

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bron Wright', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Bron Wright
President

Date: 28 February 2015

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees and Members
of The Scottish Beekeepers' Association

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2014 which are set out on pages 7 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts 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 Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts 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 accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than disclosed below)

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - 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 accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Lynne Ramsay CA
Date:

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3 March 2015

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Receipts and payments account

	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	2014 total	2013 total
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Membership	37,891	32	-	37,923	38,780
Tax recovered	1,799	-	-	1,799	3,699
Dividends	-	225	95	320	313
Interest	284	-	4	288	342
Advertising	4,245	-	-	4,245	4,258
Donations	1,338	-	-	1,338	2,383
Shows	12,081	-	-	12,081	8,546
Publicity	3,049	-	-	3,049	3,045
Education	3,400	-	-	3,400	6,868
Conference	4,046	-	-	4,046	3,636
Tea/lunch	754	-	-	754	621
Scottish Office/SAC	1000	-	-	1000	-
Library	-	344	-	344	225
Total receipts	69,887	601	99	70,587	72,716
Payments					
Magazine	27,423	-	-	27,423	28,101
Committee expenses	4178	137	-	4,315	6,011
Trustee remuneration	750	-	-	750	1,550
Stationery, printing etc.	3,036	-	-	3,036	2,860
Room hire/storage rent	3,974	-	-	3,974	2,980
Internet	47	-	-	47	52
Insurance	2718	776	-	3,494	2,829
Shows	9,490	-	-	9,490	9,752
Library	-	1370	-	1,370	231
Lecture tour	-	-	-	-	326
Independent Examiner	150	-	-	150	150
Publicity	4,691	-	-	4,691	6,329
Education	3,065	-	-	3,065	4,354
Conference/centenary	3,102	-	-	3,102	3,262
Awards	-	-	87	87	457
Subs and donations	275	-	-	275	669
Computer	689	-	-	689	-
Total payments	63,588	2,283	87	65,958	69,913
Net receipts/(payments)	6,299	(1682)	12	4,629	2,803
Cash funds brought forward	52,474	28,448	12,757	93,679	90,876
Cash funds carried forward	58,773	26,766	12,769	98,308	93,679

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Statement of balances as at 31 December 2014

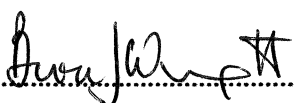
	2014	2013
	£	£
Cash funds		
Bank of Scotland - general account	9,534	2,564
Bank of Scotland - membership account	36,476	39,386
Barclays 10 Day Notice 1	2,463	2,443
Barclays 10 Day Notice 2	25,513	25,310
Barclays deposit and income accounts	23,774	23,432
NIT	548	544

Total cash funds	98,308	93,679
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Investments	Holding	Market valuation	Market valuation
		2014	2013
Unit & Investment Trusts	units	£	£
For&Col Inv Tsts ord GBP0.25	1,180	4,970	4,460
Henderson Euro FOC ord GBP0.50	675	6,716	6,072
M&G Investment Man Gilt&Fxd Int	11,700	10,698	9,672
M&G Investment Man Recovery Stlg	5,960	7,282	8,121
Total Investments		29,666	28,325

Analysis of balances	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cash b/fwd	52,474	28,448	12,757	93,679
Investments b/fwd	15,871	9,319	3,135	28,325
Balances as at 1 January 2014	68,345	37,767	15,892	122,004
net receipts and payments	6,299	(1,682)	12	4,629
movement on investments	751	415	175	1,341
Balances as at 31 December 2014	75,395	36,500	16,079	127,974
Cash	58,773	26,766	12,769	98,308
Investments	16,622	9,734	3,310	29,666
Balances as at 31 December 2014	75,395	36,500	16,079	127,974
Stock (cost)				
Publicity stock			5,936	6,103

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf:

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Bron Wright

President

Date: 26 February 2015

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Analysis of Cash balances

	Receipts	Payments	Net receipts/ (payments)	Brought forward	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds					
General	69,887	63,588	6,299	52,474	58,773
Total general funds	69,887	63,588	6,299	52,474	58,773
Designated funds					
Compensation	113	776	(663)	10,247	9,584
Library	378	1,507	(1129)	4,271	3,142
Varroa	110	-	110	13,930	14,040
Total designated funds	601	2283	(1682)	28,448	26,766
Restricted funds					
Young beekeepers	11	-	11	1,561	1,572
Research	-	-	-	34	34
Local association	4	-	4	544	548
Dr Anderson	9	37	(28)	1,104	1,076
H Brown	16	50	(34)	1,913	1,879
Dr & Mrs Tennant	28	-	28	3,586	3,614
Miss M Logan	19	-	19	2,324	2,343
J M Fraser	1	-	1	181	182
A J Levy	7	-	7	958	965
N Thomson	4	-	4	552	556
Total restricted funds	99	87	12	12,757	12,769
Total cash funds	70,587	65,958	4,629	93,679	98,308

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Related party transactions

The following honoraria payments were made to Trustees during the year:

	2014	2013
	£	£
Editor	-	450
Secretary	-	350
Membership convenor	-	350
Webmaster	-	200
Treasurer	750	200
	750	1,550

Expenses totalling £4,315 were reimbursed to trustees during the year (2013: £6,011).