



The Scottish Beekeepers' Association (SCIO)

Registered Charity No. SCO 09345

Financial Statements and Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 December 2018

The Scottish Beekeepers' Association

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General information

Charity name	The Scottish Beekeepers' Association (SCIO)
Registered charity number	SCO09345
Principal address	1 Grigor Gardens Inverness IV2 4JU
Trustees	
Alan Riach (President)	
Phillip McAnespie (Vice-President)	
John Wilkinson (General Secretary)	
David Brown (Treasurer)	
Enid Brown	
Jackie Elliott	
Martin Kay	
David MacAdam	
Gavin Ramsay	
Una Robertson	
Julian Stanley	
Margaret Thomas	
Bronwen Wright	
Heather Maclaren	
Mhairi Neill	
Andrew Watson	
Helen Nelson	
Helena Jackson	(appointed 26 th Aug 2018)
Pete Watt	(appointed 18 th March 2018, resigned 11 th May 2018)
Kate Atchley	(resigned 18 th March 2018)
Janice Furness	(resigned 18 th March 2018)
Bankers	CAF Bank 25 Kings Hill Avenue West Mailing Kent ME19 4JQ
Solicitors	Taggart Meil Mathers 20 Bon Accord Square Aberdeen AB11 6DJ
Independent Examiner	Sarah Kennedy FMAAT FCCA Tigh na Feidh Achintore Road Fort William PH33 6RN

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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 2018.

Constitution

The Scottish Beekeepers Association is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO), registration no. SCO 09345.

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

Promotion of Beekeeping

The SBA has continued to work throughout Scotland to fulfil its purposes of supporting honey bees and beekeepers, improving standards in education and promoting honey bee products. Interaction with SBA members and the public has continued through the developing SBA website, social media sites such as Facebook & Twitter and the Scottish Beekeepers' Interactive Forum. For members, the SBA monthly magazine, The Scottish Beekeeper, provides current beekeeping information, and the Moir Lending Library, consisting of some 5,000 beekeeping books, provides a unique beekeeping resource. Digitisation of the Moir Library catalogue and five supplements has been completed and they are available on the website. Ninety years of copies of the Scottish Beekeeper has also been digitised and is available in searchable form on the website.

SBA presence at national and local horticultural, agricultural and honey shows has provided excellent opportunities for public engagement. In addition the SBA continues to attend and encourages the Affiliated Beekeeping Associations (ABA's) to attend several of the Royal Highland Education Trust's (RHET) open farm days. these are aimed at teaching children about food sources and RHET has agreed to include beekeeping in the agenda.

Education

The SBA is committed to advancing and improving the standard of beekeeping in Scotland. To implement this, a broad ranging education programme has run throughout the year. Modular written examinations were held in March and November and during the summer, practical examinations at Junior, Basic, Intermediate and Apiarian (Advanced) levels were taken. It is the aim of the SBA to have all beekeepers in Scotland at least at Junior or Basic standard. 70 candidates passed their Basic Beekeeping examination this year, 7 Juniors passed the Junior Beekeepers examination and 76 sat modular examinations. 3 passed their Intermediate practical, 3 passed their Apiarian & went on to become SBA Expert Beemasters. There was also a Microscopy exam in March passed by 5 candidates. In addition 7 applicants gained their Beekeeping Trainer Certificate.

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Report of the Trustees (continued)

Education (cont.)

Focussing on improving knowledge regarding bee health, information days were promoted by the SBA working with the Scottish Government to run two bee health days. The SBA has also worked with Moray Beekeeping Association to run their Healthy Bees programme, a series of two day courses held throughout Scotland aimed at improving beekeeping knowledge and skills and preparing beekeepers for the SBA practical and module examinations

The annual Convention, held in Glasgow in conjunction with Glasgow and District Beekeepers Association, who were celebrating their centenary, hosted four speakers.

The annual lecture tour, instituted so that beekeepers in more distant locations could benefit from a notable lecturer, was successfully undertaken by Marin Anastassov NDB of Gloucestershire Beekeepers, who gave 7 lectures throughout Scotland.

Conscious of the need to involve young people in beekeeping, we have continued to develop ways to engage with them in schools. A series of seven video clips, aimed at children, outlining the various aspects of beekeeping has been produced and published on the SBA website, YouTube & Vimeo. A further two videos have been included on other beekeeping subjects.

Instructional courses including on honey harvesting and skep making, were well attended and successfully delivered. A team of SBA members also attended a Citizen Science weekend at the Easter Bush Science Outlook Centre at Roslin and participated in Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) analysis of bee and bee associated organisms to determine whether potentially pathogenic trypanosomes were affected by the bees use of propolis. Input data from project being run by one of the Dick Vet school students on the effectiveness of various varroa treatments was also analysed.

In order to establish a Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) beekeeping qualification, the SBA and Inverness-shire Beekeeping Association have co-operated with the University of the Highlands and Islands (UHI) in preparing three beekeeping courses that can be delivered by schools and colleges at N5 level. This course will be trialled in the forthcoming school and college terms.

Research projects.

At the University of Aberdeen the SBA is part-funding a PhD student, researching *"Establishment of an off-host culturing system for the honey bee mite Varroa destructor"*.

Meetings

Four Trustees' meetings for discussion and decision making were held. The AGM in March and the Members' Discussion Forum in November, allowed business to be conducted and provided opportunities for beekeepers to meet and exchange ideas and information.

At national level the SBA contributed to meetings with the Scottish Government, Council of National Beekeeping Associations of the UK and Ireland (CONBA), Food Standards Scotland and the National Diploma in Beekeeping Board.

Governance

The document *'Recruitment and Retention of Trustees'* was produced for discussion during the year.

Local Associations

43 Affiliated Beekeeping Associations (ABAs) have now signed up as members of the SBA. We are pleased that, so many ABAs have chosen to affiliate themselves with us.

Development

The SBA is very conscious that even if honeybees have changed little over the millennia, beekeepers certainly have. The trustees, whilst continuing to cater for the needs of traditional beekeepers, are seeking to engage with the modern beekeeper and to meet the expectations of the wider community and regulators.

Development (cont.)

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New Corporate Governance and budgeting procedures have been introduced and we have published a paper 'Resources for Beekeepers' which identifies the support that the SBA can deliver to a member throughout their beekeeping life. The Board of Trustees is determined to meet the challenges the future holds. We are encouraged to see that the Board's vision of meeting the challenges of the new millennium is generally shared by the membership when we meet in general meetings.

Our Development Officer, supported by the Information & Communications Technology (ICT) group continues to support communications with members via:

Communicate directly with our membership by email

Communicate with the wider beekeeping community by:

Facebook

Twitter

Instagram

Youtube

Vimeo

Deliver a structured series of talks to schools

Supply speakers for a variety of occasions

We continue to raise the profile of the SBA at every opportunity.

Membership

	2018	2017
UK Full Members	1389	1353
UK Family Members (Primary)	279	289
UK Family Members (Secondary)	279	289
Life Members	7	8
Affiliated	43	43
Institutional	14	15
Total Voting members	2011	1997

Reserves

The trustees aim to maintain a reserve fund of approximately one and a quarter times the annual income. In a time of change and development, the trustees recognise that this a difficult objective to achieve.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Alan Riach
President
19 January 2019

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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 period ended 31 December 2018 which are set out on Pages 8 to 14.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 44 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005. My examination has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my examination, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

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.

Sarah Kennedy

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2 March 2019

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**Statement of
Receipts and payments**

	note	General Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	2018	2017
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts	3					
Charitable activity		92781		2050	94831	105762
Activities for generating Funds		10877			10877	16409
Investment income		493	257	58	808	490
Total receipts		104151	257	2108	106516	122661
Payments	4					
Charitable activities		98602	2044	3774	104420	118819
Governance costs		250			250	0
Total payments		98852	2044	3774	104670	118819
Net receipts/(payments)		5299	-1787	-1666	1846	3842
Transfers		3482	-3482		0	0
Funds at 1 January 2018		94575	49270	11181	155026	151184
Funds at 31 December 2018		103356	44000	9516	156872	155026

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Statement of
Balances as at 31 December 2018

Balances as at 31 December 2018

Cash balances	2018	2017
CAF bank - general account	100608	98614
CAF bank - membership account	100	1000
Barclays Wealth - deposit account	22058	22113
Barclays Wealth - income account	3971	3163
Total cash accounts	126737	124890

Summary of cash balances

	General Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	TOTAL 2018	2017
Cash balances brought forward	86445	29065	9381	124891	121049
Net receipts for the year	5299	-1787	-1666	1846	3842
Cash balances carried forward	91744	27278	7715	126737	124891

Investments

	holding	accounts valuation £
Foreign & Colonial Inv Trust £0.25	1180	5301
Henderson Euro FOC £0.50	675	7358
M&G Investment Man Gilt & Fixed int	1031	10617
M&G Investment Man Recovery Stlg	5942	6859
		30135

Note: the market value of investments at 31st December 2018 was £33441

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Statement of
Balances as at 31 December 2018 (cont.)

Analysis of balances

	General	Designate	Restrict	TOTAL	
	Fund	d	d	2018	2017
	£	Fund	Fund	£	£
Balances as at 1 January 2018	94575	49270	11181	155026	151184
Net receipts	8782	-5270	-1666	1846	3842
Balances as at 31 December 2018	103357	44000	9515	156872	155026

Summary

		2018	2017
		£	£
Total cash	as above	126737	124891
Total investments	as above	30135	30135
Total funds		156872	155026

	2018	2017
Stocks - publicity materials etc at cost	5968	6549

	2018	2017
Heritage assets	324250	324250
Moir library (note 5)		

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf:

Alan Riach
President
19 January 2017

David Brown
Treasurer
19 January 2017

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Notes to the accounts

1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and 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 association.

Designated funds are funds which have been earmarked by the trustees for a particular purpose.

Restricted funds may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for specific purposes.

3. Receipts

	General funds	designated funds	restricted funds	total 2018	2017
	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable activity					
Membership	66586			66586	52422
Donations & Legacies	961			961	16468
Shows	15359			15359	13722
Education	5835		2050	7885	18108
Development	1200			1200	3534
Conference	2833			2833	1365
Library	8			8	144
	<hr/> 92781	<hr/> 0	<hr/> 2050	<hr/> 94831	<hr/> 105763
Activities for generating Funds					
Advertising	5428			5428	7887
Sales	5449			5449	8521
	<hr/> 10877	<hr/> 0	<hr/> 0	<hr/> 10877	<hr/> 16408
Investment income					
Dividends& interest	493	257	58	808	490
	<hr/> 493	<hr/> 257	<hr/> 58	<hr/> 808	<hr/> 490
	<hr/> <hr/> 104151	<hr/> <hr/> 257	<hr/> <hr/> 2108	<hr/> <hr/> 106516	<hr/> <hr/> 122661

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4. Payments	General	designated	restricted	total	
	funds	funds	funds	2018	2017
	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable activities					
Magazine	28713			28713	29636
Committee expenses	2256			2256	4112
Secretarial costs	1809			1809	2767
Fees & charges	3391			3391	2837
Accommodation	4143			4143	4637
I T	748			748	1590
Library	0		965	965	1178
Shows	12272			12272	13297
Education	4848		2559	7407	16806
Conference	2705			2705	2134
Insurance	2681	2044		4725	2772
Development	27815		250	28065	28832
Publicity	4722			4722	5720
Research	2500			2500	2500
	98602	2044	3774	104420	118818
Governance costs					
Trustee remuneration	0			0	0
Independent Examiner	250			250	0
	250	0	0	250	0
	98852	2044	3774	104670	118818

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5. Heritage Assets

The Moir Library Collection

There are two parts to the Moir Library, the Moir Rare Book Collection and the Moir Lending Library.

(a) The Moir Rare Book Collection

value £324250.

The collection is held in the National Library of Scotland, Rare Books' Section, Edinburgh. It consists of 250 items. The collection is open to SBA members and all other visitors, on request to the National Library. Details of the collection are online.

(b) The Moir Lending Library

value £34,250

The Collection is held in the Edinburgh City Libraries, Fountain Bridge branch, Edinburgh. It consists of more than 5,000 books and pamphlets. The collection is open to all SBA members who may borrow books. Other beekeepers and members of the public can visit and borrow or use books, for example for research, by arrangement with the SBA Library Officer.

The Collection's catalogues have been digitised and are available online.

6. Related party transactions

No payments other than reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses were made to Trustees during the period or in the previous period.

Expenses totalling £2256 (*£4031*) were reimbursed to trustees during the period.

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7. Analysis of fund balances

	b/f	Interest	Receipts	Payments	Transfer	As at 31/12/2018
	£	£	£	£	£	£
UNRESTRICTED						
General	94575	493	103658	98852	3483	103357
Total unrestricted funds	94575	493	103658	98852	3483	103357
DESIGNATED						
Compensation	20444	107		2044	1493	20000
Library	3126	16			-3142	0
Local association	638	3			-641	0
Development	25062	131			-1193	24000
Total designated funds	49270	257	0	2044	-3483	44000
RESTRICTED						
Young beekeepers	1057	6	2050	2559		554
Dr Anderson	1385	7				1392
H Brown	2136	11		250		1897
Dr & Mrs Tennant	4641	24		964		3701
A J Levy	1243	6				1249
N Thomson	719	4				723
Total restricted funds	11181	58	2050	3773	0	9516
Total funds	155026	808	105708	104669	0	156873