



Dunfermline Athletic Heritage Trust

Dunfermline Athletic Heritage Trust

Charity number SC045532 Registered in Scotland

Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2019

Dunfermline Athletic Heritage Trust
East End Park
Halbeath Road
Dunfermline
Fife
KY12 7RB

Trustees Report for the Year Ended 31st March 2019

Chairman's Report on behalf of the Trustees

Dunfermline Athletic Heritage Trust was established on 18 October 2014, by a Trust Deed, with the aim of preserving for future generations the history of Dunfermline Athletic Football Club and the memories of its players, management and supporters, and making this rich heritage available for public access.

Although we share a common interest in the past, present and future of Dunfermline Athletic FC, the Trust is completely independent of the football club, with its own governance system run by Trustees who are all long-term Pars supporters.

These are the fourth accounts of the Trust and cover the period from 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019.

Dunfermline Athletic Heritage Trust is a charity registered in Scotland, No SC045532.

Trustees

The current office-bearers of the Trust are:

Chair: Duncan Simpson

Vice-Chair: Donald Adamson

Treasurer: Graeme Herd

Secretary: John Simpson

The other Trustees are Craig Brown, Brian Duncan, Kenny McLachlan, Bonar Mercer, Gordon McKenzie, Christine Scott, Adam Shepherd (from 5 November 2018) and Jim Leishman (from 11 February 2019).

Activities of the Trust

The Trust continues to be extremely active, and its work is broken into a number of work-streams. Trustee and volunteer meetings are held quarterly. All activities are carried out by unpaid volunteers.

The Trust carried out an on-line and paper survey into its present activities and how these might be developed in the future. There were 81 responses, and the thrust of the feedback was that on-line services such as the video interviews of former players and the Facebook page were most popular, although there was support for publications, exhibitions and one-off events. There is a small but passionate group of supporters concerned with the history of Dunfermline Athletic, and they are likely to be helping DAFC already in different capacities. Whilst a museum would be

welcomed, there was a real doubt over the sustainability of such a venture. An unmanned heritage space might be an alternative.

Tangible Heritage – There is now a series of panels in public areas of both the Norrie McCathie stand and also the Main stand, which tell the history of the club, the ground, and Dunfermline Athletic record breakers. Further work is on-going to put further panels into the hospitality boxes which would tell the history of DAFC in Europe.

A Collections Development Policy had been developed and it is intended to proactively shape the tangible heritage collection, with an emphasis on quality items. In this connection, the Trust acquired the 1925/26 league championship medal awarded to John Fraser, President of DAFC, and was donated a rare inter-war greyhound racing programme from East End Park.

Statistical Heritage – A trial site has been developed to test how statistical information, programmes, match reports, photographs and player profiles might best be displayed on-line.

Photographic Heritage – The photographic archive is an important and valuable resource. There is a very considerable task of tagging the collection which needs to be undertaken if the collection is to be useable to its full extent. Some rare glass plate negatives from 1958 were purchased at auction.

Audio-Visual Heritage – Interviews with former players, club employees and supporters continue to be extremely popular. Most of the more senior ex-players have now been interviewed and recorded, and additions are made on a very regular basis, especially where they fill an important gap in telling the story of Dunfermline Athletic through the eyes of its players.

Historical Heritage – The Trust helped to fund a historic blue plaque at the Old Inn, which was the site of the foundation of Dunfermline Athletic in 1885. It was formally unveiled by Jim Leishman, Provost of Fife, and now a Trustee, on 14 June 2018.

The Trust provided an information board on the outside wall of East End Park to honour the memory of David Hunter VC, a long-time supporter of Dunfermline Athletic. This is behind a memorial plinth (which contains a time capsule of Hunter and DAFC items) and VC stone. It was unveiled at a public ceremony on 16 September 2018 which was attended by the Lord Lieutenant of Fife, the Provost of Fife, The Maire and Councillors of Mœuvres in France (where David Hunter won his VC), and 300 members of the public. An ensuing memorial lunch and sale of special commemorative football shirts raised funds both for the Trust and also PoppyScotland.

IT and Digitisation – The Trust runs both a website and a Facebook page. The website focusses on matters of more permanent interest, whilst the Facebook page contains articles of current interest, and is well used.

There are large projects underway to digitise and make available Dunfermline match-day Programmes, and articles about Dunfermline matches from local newspapers. This will be integrated with the statistical information and player profiles. A suitable platform is being tested.

Financial Review

The income of the Trust for the year can be broken into two main elements. Firstly, fundraising and donations represents the considerable efforts of many to put funding into the Trust via gifts, donations and money raised from social events. The Trust is very grateful for the generosity of its supporters. Secondly, funds were raised in September 2018 as a result of a lunch and shirt sale which related to the centenary of David Hunter winning the Victoria Cross in France.

The largest item of expenditure of the Trust, in the year, was in relation to the display boards telling the history of club, ground and players. These have been placed in public spaces around the ground. There was significant expenditure on the President's gold medal which comes from Dunfermline's first championship winning season in 1925/26. In addition, the Trust were heavily involved in securing a blue plaque for the Old Inn to mark the site of Dunfermline Athletic's founding in 1885.

Appointment of Trustees

There must be at least six Trustees and a maximum of twelve. The initial Trustees noted above were appointed for three years from 18 October 2014. Trustees are appointed or re-appointed at a special meeting of Trustees convened for that purpose, and after the initial Trustee appointments, are appointed, or re-appointed, for a period not exceeding two years. Trustee meetings are held quarterly, and are also attended, in an observer capacity, by the volunteers who are not Trustees.

On 5 November 2018, Donald Adamson, Craig Brown, Brian Duncan, Graeme Herd and Kenny McLachlan retired as Trustees and were reappointed for two years until October 2020.

Appointment of Independent Examiner

Stephen Taylor CA has expressed his willingness to act as Honorary Independent Examiner.

Duncan Simpson, Chairman.

Date:

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Dunfermline Athletic Heritage Trust
SC045532.**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2019 which are set out on pages 7 to 8.

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) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the 2006 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 2006 Accounts Regulations.

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 view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

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

- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with

Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met, or

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

Name: Stephen Taylor CA [signed]

Relevant Professional qualification/professional body: ICAS (retired)

Address:

Date:

Dunfermline Athletic Heritage Trust: Statement of Balances as at 31st March 2019

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Opening Cash at Bank	8324	nil	8324
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	1617	nil	1617
Closing Cash at Bank	9941	nil	9941

[signed] G Herd

Treasurer

Date

Dunfermline Athletic Heritage Trust
Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31st March 2019

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Year to 31/3/2019 £	Year to 31/3/2018 £
Receipts				
Donations/Fundraising	1049		1049	1310
David Hunter VC Centenary	3164		3164	
Total Income	4213		4213	1310
Payments				
Display costs	1728		1728	
Old Inn Plaque	204		204	
Film costs	64		64	
Memorial Garden				357
Storage Facility				1860
Acquisition of Medal	600		600	
Survey				120
Information Board				384
Consultancy				650
Total Payments	2596		2596	3371
Surplus/(Deficit) for year	1617		1617	(2061)

Dunfermline Athletic Heritage Trust: Notes to Accounts for the year to 31 March 2019

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.

Restricted funds may only be used for specific purposes.

