

Breadalbane Heritage Society



Charity Number: SC049382



Accounts for the Period Ended

31 August 2021



Trustees' Annual Report

For the Period Ended 31 August 2021

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements and the independent examiner's report for the period 1 September 2020 – 31 August 2021.

Reference & Administrative Information

Charity Name

Breadalbane Heritage Society

Charity Number

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Address



Address for correspondence

as above

Trustees during the period

Frances Stamford Gillespie

Ian Nicholas Grant

Mary Katrina Minett McDougall

Harriet Sarah Rose

Ian Alistair Stewart

Lesley May Whitwood

Neil Hooper (Honorary President)

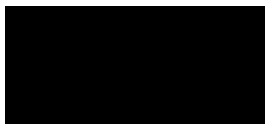
Bankers

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Independent Examiner

Mrs Linda El-Ghorr, ACMA, MBA



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Structure Governance & Management

Constitution

Breadalbane Heritage Society's governing document is a Constitution. It was established formally on 13 June 2019 as a SCIO in terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005.

Appointment of Trustees

The Trustees of the Society (listed above) were appointed at the inception of the SCIO and formed the Interim Board during the first period. The first Annual Members Meeting was scheduled for 20th March 2020, however this meeting was postponed due to Covid 19, and was held subsequently on 19th March 2021 via Zoom. The Trustees on the Interim Board all retired at this first AMM and were all re-elected.

Management

The Society is managed by the Board of Trustees who meet six times a year. The majority of these meetings have taken place via an online platform since March 2020 however "in person" Board meetings have also take place on two occasions. During this period individual Trustees have undertaken the following roles:

Chair: Lesley Whitwood

Past Chair: Nicholas Grant

Treasurer: Harriet Rose

Programme Secretary: Ian Stewart

PR & Media: Fran Gillespie

Society Liaison: Mary McDougall

Objectives & Activities

Charitable purposes

The charitable purposes of the Society are to advance education, heritage and culture by:

- promoting and encouraging an interest in the study of the archaeology, history, antiquities, folk-lore and natural history particularly concerning the Breadalbane and Upper Tay area of Perthshire;
- preserving, conserving, understanding and interpreting, within the national context, the historical and cultural heritage of the area;
- providing a community resource through the collection, classification and conservation of items of local historical interest;
- promoting and advancing heritage in the area as a source of pride and to address heritage issues affecting the area.

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Chairman's Report

The continuation of the COVID pandemic meant that we had to be creative in our delivery of talks and activities. It was easy enough to have our Trustee meetings on Zoom but the challenge of having the main meeting on that platform involved our Meetings Co-ordinator in considerable time and organisation of speakers and the attendees. The advantage of the Zoom presentations was that many more people could attend from a wider area, even from other countries. This has boosted the visibility of the Society and its aims and activities.

The first two talks of the winter season focussed on local interest: firstly, on the history of Pitlochry and secondly, the churches of Aberfeldy. To advertise the assistance that Helen Stewart has offered on family history research, the November talk gave guidance on the resources available.

A new venture in January was a quiz on the local area formulated by the Chairman and members of the committee. February and March meetings were also on Zoom: February widened the focus to the Romans in Perthshire and March revisited Aberfeldy to see the changes in the businesses in the town through photographs. All these talks were well received and drew further interest from local people and those from further afield.



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2020-21 PROGRAMME

WINTER ONLINE ZOOM TALKS


Friday 18th September 2020
'Pitlochry in Threes' by Colin Liddell
 An eclectic dip into the assortment box of Pitlochry's local history, by looking at lots of groupings of three things to show how Pitlochry has been shaped over the years.


Friday 16th October 2020
'Where have all the Churches gone?' by Lesley Whitwood
 A look at the history of many churches in the local area from Dull to Strathtay which have been 'lost' to discover what has happened to them, and why.

Friday 20th November 2020
'Researching your Family History in Scotland' by Helen Stewart
 This talk is aimed at those who wish to research their family history, but just don't know how or where to start. Helen will show many of the resources available and how the Heritage Society and local library can assist and support you in your quests.

These talks are free to attend and to register your interest, or if you have any queries on the above, please send an email to bhsaberfeldy@gmail.com and we will then email you details of how to join the Zoom meeting.

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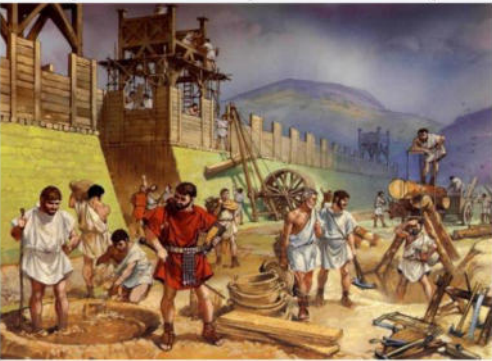


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WINTER ONLINE ZOOM TALK

The Roman Army in Perthshire

Friday 19th February 2021 at 7.30 p.m.



Jim Walker presented an excellent talk on the Antonine Wall to the Society last year and is now returning to tell us about camps, forts, fortlets and signal stations established and used by the Roman army in Perthshire during the 1st and 2nd centuries A.D.

This talk is free to attend. To register your interest, or if you have any queries on the above, please send an email to [Ian Stewart at bhsaberfeldy@gmail.com](mailto:Ian.Stewart@bhsaberfeldy@gmail.com) and Ian will then email you the details of how to join the Zoom meeting.

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WINTER ONLINE ZOOM TALK

Aberfeldy Past and Present

An illustrated talk by Tommy Pringle
Friday 19th March 2021 at 7.30 p.m.



Where and what are these shops now?

Tommy will be presenting a series of photographs taken over the last 150 years showing changes to buildings in Aberfeldy starting in Kenmore Street and working along to the Distillery. This follows on from a series of photos taken by Alan Proud.

This talk is free to attend. To register your interest, or if you have any queries on the above, please send an email to [Ian Stewart at bhsaberfeldy@gmail.com](mailto:Ian.Stewart@bhsaberfeldy@gmail.com) and Ian will then email you the details of how to join the Zoom meeting.

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The talk in March was preceded by a brief Annual Members' Meeting attended by members on Zoom. It has been pleasing to see the support that has been given to these "virtual" talks and has demonstrated that our senior citizens have adapted to computer communication when required.

In the summer restrictions on socialising were still current so the programme of visits was simplified. On two separate occasions small socially distanced groups went to the Menzies Mausoleum and the gardens at Menzies castle led by members of the Society.



By August / September, the restrictions were eased enough for the planning of the tour of Iona to go ahead.

More information and photos on all the Society's activities can be found on the website:

<http://breadalbane-heritage.org.uk>

The Society has re-established its links with the Museum Group in Aberfeldy and a Heritage Walk leaflet project has begun involving members from both societies. Plans are also afoot for an updating of our "Around Aberfeldy" booklet and the erection of information boards at the Killiechassie graveyard. Work on maintaining the graveyard has continued throughout the season both in repairing a collapsed wall, removing trees and keeping the grounds tidy. Links with the Crannog in Kenmore and other heritage projects in the area have been maintained. The BHS website (<http://breadalbane-heritage.org.uk>) has been developed so that it now includes full details of the Society's activities, membership and a blog with up-to-date information.

Trustees have been very active in developing the Society's projects and have given their time and expertise to make sure that the pandemic did not curtail the Society's activities. Special thanks should be given to our Programme Co-ordinator, Ian Stewart, who not only brings together the programme but also manages the technical aspects of the Zoom presentations and the maintenance of the website.

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Financial Review

The Society's annual income derives mainly from membership subscriptions, income from book sales and donations. Regular expenditure consists of payments for room hire for meetings, fees paid to speakers, and administrative expenses relating to the running of the Society, and these costs are met broadly by the annual income.

The deficit in the **General Fund** for the period ended 31 August 2021 was £1,326, whereas in the period ended 31 August 2020 it was £762. This larger deficit is due to the reduction in subscription income in the current period. As a result of Covid 19 the Trustees took the decision to waive membership subscriptions for the year 2020 - 2021, moving all meetings temporarily to an online platform. This resulted in a loss of income of approximately £1000, while there have still been some outgoings related to fees paid to speakers, subscription to the online platform and IT costs. Subscriptions have been reinstated for the year September 2021 – August 2022.

The deficit in the **Restricted Fund** in the period ended 31 August 2021 was £760, whereas in the period ended 31 August 2020 this deficit was £304. The reason for this deficit is explained below.

Restricted Funds

In 2014 grants totalling £40000 were awarded by Scottish and Southern Electricity (SSE) and the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) towards the purchase of Museum display cabinets and establishment of a temporary Aberfeldy Museum within the town's Community Library. The Museum was the "brain child" of the Aberfeldy Museum Group (AMG), however this group had not been in a position to seek grant funding as they did not have a formal constitution, and Breadalbane Heritage Society (BHS) fronted the grant application on AMG's behalf. The long-term intention was for this Museum to be established in the Town Hall once it was refurbished, however this has not been possible due to insufficient funding for the Town Hall development. The cabinets continue to be housed within the Library where their content is organised and managed by AMG. Since 2014 BHS has paid for the annual insurance of the cabinets out of the residue of the grant funding.

In July 2021, following a meeting between members of the BHS Board and members of the AMG committee, agreement was reached that ownership of the Museum Cabinets would be handed to the AMG. As part of that agreement BHS paid £760 to AMG to cover 5 years' insurance premiums for the cabinets.

Both SSE and HLF have confirmed that they have no further interest in the remaining funds which are retained in the BHS "Museum Fund" and BHS and AMG have agreed that this money should be used on joint projects which further the two organisations' charitable objectives. Currently members of the two groups are collaborating on the production of a heritage map of Aberfeldy, which should be available later in 2022, and will provide information for visitors and members of the community.

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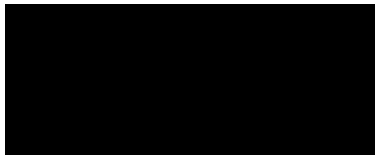
Reserves Policy

The Trustees consider that reserves of £3000 are needed to cover annual costs for a period of two years (£1500 pa) in order to provide financial stability, supporting the operation of the Society and enabling it to continue to work towards its core purposes in the event of a reduction of annual income. This is especially important given the uncertainty of future income from membership subscriptions in the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic. These costs include: hosting of meetings (venue charge and speaker fees); IT and administration costs; website maintenance; annual subscriptions to the online meeting platform and to the video platform for access to recorded meetings.

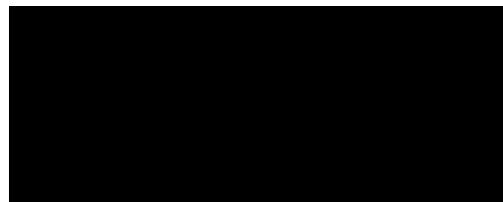
During 2022/2023 the Trustees intend to use the surplus in the General Fund (£3700) to support the following:

- Production of interpretation display boards for Killiechassie Burial Ground
- Revision and reprint of publication "Around Aberfeldy"
- Improved archive storage within the Town Hall

Signed on behalf of the trustees



H S Rose (Trustee & Treasurer)



L M Whitwood (Trustee & Chair)

Date: 3 March 2022

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Statement of Receipts and Payments for the period 01 September 2020 to 31 August 2021

	Notes	General funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds Current Period £	Total Funds Last Period £
Receipts					
Subscriptions		172		172	1,112
Visitors' fees		0		0	191
Donations	4	166		166	588
Fundraising	5	90		90	1,393
Outing & trip fees	6	0		0	2,265
Killiechassie	7	355		355	962
		783		783	6,511
Payments					
Event expenses	8	300		300	1,060
Fundraising expenses	5	0		0	160
Outing & trip expenses	6	0		0	2,238
Killiechassie expenses	7	788		788	1,102
Museum expenses	9		760	760	304
General expenses	10	825		825	1,033
Governance Costs	11	196		196	1,680
		2,109	760	2,869	7,577
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		(1,326)	(760)	(2,086)	(1,066)

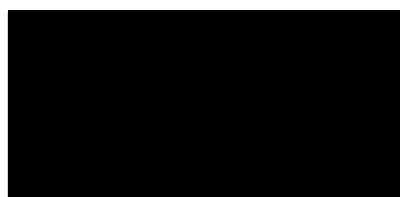
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Statement of Balances as at 31 August 2021

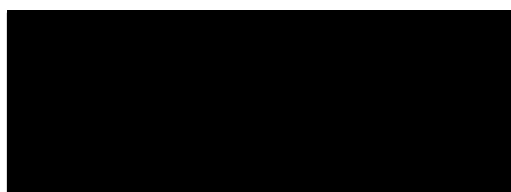
	Notes	General funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds Current Period £	Total Funds Last Period £
Funds reconciliation	2				
Opening cash & bank balance		8,054	4,912	12,966	14,032
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		(1,326)	(760)	(2,086)	(1,066)
Closing cash & bank balance		6,728	4,152	10,880	12,966
Assets					
Recoverable grant re Killiechassie	7	573			140
Fixed assets used by the charity in delivering its objectives (estimated current value)	3			0	3,000

The notes on pages 10 to 13 form an integral part of these accounts.

Approved by the trustees on 3 March 2022 and signed on their behalf.



H S Rose (Trustee & Treasurer)



L M Whitwood (Trustee & Chair)

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Notes to the Accounts for the period 01 September 2020 to 31 August 2021

1. Basis of Accounting

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. 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 are those where a grant has been awarded for a specific purpose.

	At 31 Aug 2021 £	At 31 Aug 2020 £
General Funds	6,728	8,054
Restricted Funds	4,152	4,912
	10,880	12,966

All funds detailed in these notes are general funds unless otherwise indicated.

3. Assets

As ownership of the Museum Cabinets has now been handed to the Aberfeldy Museum Group Breadalbane Heritage Society no longer has any assets with a value greater than £500.

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4. Donations

	General funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds Current Period £	Total Funds Last Period £
General donations	166		166	90
Refreshment donations	0		0	155
Refreshment donations at opening meeting	0		0	68
Crannog party donations	0		0	275
	166		166	588

5. Fundraising

	Receipts £	Payments £	Surplus Current Period £	Surplus Last Period £
Book Sales – around Aberfeldy	45		45	90
Book Sales – Cup Marked Stones	45		45	30
Thrift Shop	0		0	1,113
	90		90	1,233

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6. Outings & trips

	Receipts £	Payments £	Net Current Period £	Net Last Period £
Outings	0		0	165
Iona 2020*	0		0	(138)
	0		0	27

*The Iona trip took place in September 2021. All related receipts and payments, which related to the Hotel accommodation, have been reconciled, and participants paid any outstanding monies due to the Hotel at the time of the trip.

7. Killiechassie Burial Ground

Grants totalling £10000 were awarded to BHS in 2013 for the preservation and maintenance of the Killiechassie Burial Ground. This Fund is managed by Foundation Scotland and BHS draws down monies from the Fund retrospectively. The Fund value at 31 August 2021 was £9,787.

8. Event expenses

	Total Current Period £	Total Last Period £
Speakers' expenses and gifts*	300	407
Hire of Hall	0	204
Refreshments	0	77
Refreshments at opening reception	0	45
Crannog Party (including £100 donation)	0	327
	300	1,060

* £300 donations to charity in lieu of gifts to speakers (including one Trustee) as requested by them.

9. Museum

Costs this year consist of payment to the Aberfeldy Museum Group (AMG) of £760, equivalent to 5 years' insurance premiums for the Museum Cabinets. This payment was made as part of an agreement between BHS and AMG whereby the Museum Cabinets were donated to AMG. BHS has no further responsibility for the cabinets. See notes above under **Restricted Funds** section of **Financial Review**.

10. General Expenses

	Total Current Period £	Total Last Period £
Insurance	0	70
Marketing	0	268
Subscriptions	104	29
Administration expenses	721	665
	825	1,033

11. Governance Costs

	Total Current Period £	Total Last Period £
Legal Fees (related to SCIO documentation)	96	1,680
Independent Examination	100	
	196	1,680

12. Related party transactions

No remuneration has been paid during the year to any trustee or connected person (See Note 8).

A total of £413 was paid to trustees as reimbursement of expenses relating to purchase of IT related items and subscriptions.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF BREADALBANE HERITAGE SOCIETY
FOR THE PERIOD 01 September 2020 TO 31 AUGUST 2021

I report on the accounts of the charity for the period 01 September 2020 to 31 August 2021 which are set out on pages 8 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees of Breadalbane Heritage Society are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). 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 Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). 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 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, and
- 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.


Mrs L El-Ghorr, ACMA, MBA


Date: 4/3/2022