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# CLUB SPORT ABERDEEN

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Trustees)

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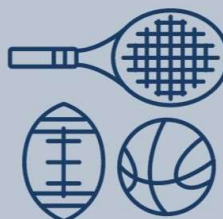


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PERFORMANCE 2022 -2023

**87 AFFILIATED  
CLUBS &  
ORGANISATIONS**



LEVEL 2 - 71  
LEVEL 1 - 14  
GOVERNING BODIES - 2



**33 DIFFERENT SPORTS  
REPRESENTED**

We are an independent body  
directed by clubs, for clubs in  
Aberdeen

We strive to provide a unified  
voice for sports clubs in  
Aberdeen

**TOTAL NETWORK REACH  
20,051 CLUB MEMBERS**

ADULTS: 7470  
JUNIORS: 13581



**KEY PARTNERSHIPS**



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**The objectives of ClubSport Aberdeen are:**

- The advancement of public participation in sport through encouraging citizens of all ages, all communities, local clubs and organisations carrying out the majority of their activities within Aberdeen
- Provide a unified voice and practical support for sports clubs throughout Aberdeen
- Working in partnership with other bodies to further the purposes of Club Sport Aberdeen

**Structure, governance, and management**

As a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation, ClubSport Aberdeen have legal status and are governed by the organisation's constitution.

ClubSport Aberdeen appoint a group of trustees each year who have overall control and management of the charity. They are responsible for the charity's governance and strategy, and for making sure that the charity is administered effectively.

**Charity Trustees:**

The Trustees for reporting year 2022-23 are:

- Brian Pahlmann, Aberdeen Amateur Athletic Club
- Mark Pain, Granite City Wanderers Hockey Club
- Angie Keith, Bon Accord MBC Hockey Club
- Neil Paterson, Aberdeen and District Juvenile FA
- Kirsty Mcleod, Gordonians Hockey Club
- Edna Ewan, Aberdeen Amateur Athletic Club
- Caroline Walker, Aberdeen and District Netball Association
- Claire McDonald, Grampian Disability Sport
- Tom Lambert, Racquets Badminton Club

**Trustee recruitment and appointment**

Mark Pain, Kirsty Mcleod, Edna Ewan, and Claire McDonald left the board during this financial year.

Tom Lambert was co-opted to the Board in November 2022.

### **Achievements and performance**

Upon initial reflection, the year seemed rather quiet. However, after further thought, it was a busy year.

The board evolved, with several trustees leaving for various reasons, including role and life changes. Kirsty, Edna, and Claire left us, certainly leaving skill and knowledge gaps in their wake. And Tom and Mark essentially traded roles with Mark now providing practical support to the board and organization as Community Sport Manager through our important partnership with Sport Aberdeen.

We awarded Eric Mannall from Dyce Boys Club the Service to Sport Award for his service to football in Aberdeen.

We again sponsored the Club of the Year Award at Aberdeen's Sports Awards which was presented to member club, Aberdeen Dolphins Swim Club. The sponsorship included a table, so we invited Eric and his wife to join us, along with Dylan Dickie from the Northeast Youth Sports Panel (NEYSP) which we deliver along with Aberdeenshire Clubsport.

The keynote address was from mountaineer, Jamie Andrew OBE who shared his amazing and emotional story to a completely rapt crowd—they were silent from start to finish. All in all, it was another exciting awards night, a celebration of Aberdeen sport and those who make it possible.

The NEYSP has progressed under the guidance of Caroline. The first project supported by the group was Kit for all, working with clubs to raise awareness and contribute to the kit collections. The panel members continued to raise their profile by attending AGMs for both ClubSport Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire Clubsport, taking the opportunity to address the members and providing information on progress to date.

Following the summer break, three of the original ten panel members continued into year two. As mentioned, Dylan (the NEYSP Chair) attended the Aberdeen Sports Awards, and the Secretary attended the Aberdeenshire Sports Awards.

Two members of the Panel have been involved in the planning of the Sports Conference to take place in September 2023. From December the focus has been on recruitment of new members, with the social media pages being updated and a flyer produced and distributed electronically to schools via Active Schools and printed flyers to be available for events during summer.

Mark and Brian have been involved in conversations and planning for the Sports Club Conference in September which is expected to be an insightful and enjoyable day.

The Club Taster Vouchers, delivered in partnership with Sport Aberdeen were rolled out on 31 March with nine member clubs taking part. Club Sport Aberdeen are working in partnership with members and Active Schools Aberdeen to break down barriers to accessing club sport, with

vouchers distributed to school pupils across the city who may then take them to clubs for free taster sessions.

We continue to be involved in conversations with the Active Aberdeen Partnership, representing the organisation and member clubs.

### **Financial review**

Statement of the charity's policy on reserves: The reserves that we have set aside provide financial stability and the means for the development of our principal activity. We intend to maintain our reserves at a level which is at least equivalent to £1100.

The Board regularly reviews the amount of reserves that are required to ensure that they are adequate to fulfil our continuing obligations.

### **Details of any deficit**

No deficit was made during the year.

### **Donated facilities and services**

No facilities or services were donated during 2021-22.

### **Future plans**

Over the next year, the board hope that club sport in Aberdeen continues to strengthen and adapt to the new sporting environment to remain an important part of the community. Our main aims for the next 12 months are as follows:

- Replace key personnel, skills, and expertise on the board;
- Continue to support key citywide projects such as Kit for All and Club Taster Vouchers schemes;
- Continue to represent member clubs and sport in general on a variety of citywide and regional forums;
- Develop current and new partnerships in support of member clubs;
- Work with Aberdeenshire Club Sport and local authority partners to deliver Club Conference at Inverurie Academy in September 23.

We look forward to engaging and meeting with more clubs over the course of 2023-24.

All the best,

**Brian Pahlmann, Angie Keith, Neil Paterson, Caroline Walker, and Tom Lambert**

**Club Sport Aberdeen Trustees**