

**DRYSTONE WALLING ASSOCIATION
SOUTH WEST SCOTLAND BRANCH**

**TRUSTEES REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2018**

Scottish Charity No. SC025830

**Montpelier Professional (Galloway) Limited
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**Independent examiners' report to the trustees of the Drystone Walling
Association South West Scotland Branch**

I report on the attached accounts of the Drystone Walling Association South West Scotland Branch for the year ended 31 August 2018.

Respective Responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

The charity 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 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 examiners report

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 the records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all 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 examiners 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 Regulationshave 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.



John Simpson FCA
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21/11/18

**Drystone Walling Association South West Scotland Branch
Trustees Report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2018**

Scottish Charity Number SC025830

Current trustees

Mr N Coombey (Chairman)
Ms L Wilson (Secretary)
Mr J Riddick (Treasurer)
Ms Alexandra Dunn
Mr N McKie
Mr J Watson

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Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

All of the Branch's trustees are appointed or reappointed by the members at our annual general meeting, which is normally held in November each year. New trustee training involves discussions with current trustees and reviewing historical financial information and minutes of trustee meetings.

Governing document

The Drystone Walling Association South West Scotland Branch is a charitable unincorporated association, and the purposes and administration arrangements are set out in our constitution.

Charitable purposes

Our purpose is to preserve, improve and advance education in the craft of dry stone walling in South West Scotland.

We are affiliated to the Drystone Walling Association of Great Britain, an English Registered Charity, number 289678.

Activities and achievements

During the year we continued to run training courses.

The Charity hopes to maintain its activities during the next year.

Trustee remuneration and expenses

The trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses during the year.

Reserves

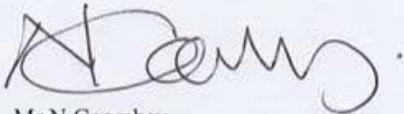
As a result of the surplus of £1,141 for the year, the branch held unrestricted general bank funds of £5,058 at the year end.

The trustees consider the general fund balance will enable us to continue for the forthcoming year.

The accounts for the year are attached and form part of this report.

The report was approved by the trustees on 21 November 2018.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N Coombey', written over a faint circular stamp or watermark.

Mr N Coombey
Chairman

South West Scotland Branch
of the Dry Stone Walling Association
Charity No. 289678
Receipts & Payments Account and Statement of Balances
for the year ended 31st August 2018



RECEIPTS

Interest Income (Gross)
Competitions
Donations
Stock Sales
Subscriptions : Branch
 : National
Training Courses
Miscellaneous
Total Income

PAYMENTS

Administration : Insurance
 : Postage etc.
 : Meetings
 : Web Hosting
Total Administration
General : Demonstrations
 : Competition Expenses
 : Craftsman Training
 : National Subs
 : Training Courses
 : Training Levy to DSWA
 : Miscellaneous
Sponsorship
Grants
Legal & Accountancy
Stock Purchase
Equipment

	Year Ended 31/08/2017	Year Ended 31/08/2018
	£	£
	-	-
	-	820.00
	-	100.00
	66.00	89.50
	60.00	80.00
	231.00	421.00
	1,305.00	1,720.00
	-	-
	1,662.00	3,230.50
	70.00	65.00
	-	-
	30.00	-
	65.99	65.99
	165.99	130.99
	-	-
	231.00	421.00
	805.00	1,270.00
	55.00	95.00
	-	-
	-	-
	108.00	108.00
	85.50	65.00
	-	-
	1,450.49	2,089.99
	3,706.00	3,917.51
	211.51	1,140.51
	£ 3,917.51	£ 5,058.02
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Balance Brought Forward
Surplus/Deficit
Balance Carried Forward

Summary of Funds

Current a/c

Other Assets

Stock @ cost
Branch Equipment
Debtors

Books, Tools&Sundries

	153.20	60.00
	-	-
	-	-
	£ 153.20	£ 60.00

Liabilities

Creditors

	-	-
	£ -	£ -

All funds are classified as unrestricted.

Approved by the Trustees on 20th November, 2018

Signed:

John Riddick
John Riddick
Treasurer



**South West Scotland Branch
of the
Dry Stone Walling Association**
(Charity No. 289678)



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TREASURER'S REPORT
Year ended 31st August 2018

The branch's main business is the running of training courses in drystone dyking (walling). During the financial year three courses were held with a total attendance of 20 people.

The aim is that the fees for the courses will cover all costs of the courses including Instructors, advertising and catering. Also, there is a training fee levy of £5 per trainee to be paid to DSWA-GB. Any surplus helps to fund the regular administration costs.

Other income is derived from members' subscriptions (17 members), donations and stock sales (mainly books and booklets).

Other regular expenses are room hire for meetings, insurance, postages, web hosting, stock purchases and accountancy fees.

There is a surplus of £1140.51 for the year, but this includes sponsorship of £820 for a competition to be held in September, and the remainder is from our regular operations.

The branch ends the year with a bank balance of £5058 which is more than sufficient to enable it to continue with its objectives of training, repair and preservation of dry stone walls.

John Riddick
Treasurer



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SOUTH WEST SCOTLAND BRANCH

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2018

2018 was a special year being the 50th anniversary of the creation of the national Dry Stone Walling Association and the 80th anniversary of the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright Drystane Dyking Committee. A book published by the national Dry Stone Walling Association to celebrate the anniversary was given to our longest serving member James Finlay, who served on the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright Drystane Dyking Committee from the late 1950s.

The anniversary provided the opportunity to host the 2018 National Dry Stone Walling Association members weekend and AGM at Gatehouse. Originally planned for the beginning of March the event was cancelled due to poor weather conditions across the country. The weekend was rescheduled to August and the summer weather helped make the weekends activities a great success.

The Branch revived the tradition of holding a dyking competition in the Gatehouse area which was held at Drummuckloch by the kind permission of Mark Hannay. Although the small number of competitors was disappointing the event was enjoyed by participants and the audience alike and several people asked when the next competition was planned. Master craftsmen Jim Scott and Garth Heinrich were judges assisted by local dyker Jim Nichol who has been a winner at many of the past competitions. The John Younger Trust, Galloway Preservation Society and Gatehouse Development Initiative provided financial support for the event.

The Branch ran three combined training course and practice meets returning to Loch Arthur, Beeswing and Rainton, near Gatehouse of Fleet and a new site on the seafront at Girvan. Professional dyker Niall Baird provided training for the 18 participants. The event were only possible with much hard work from Linda as well as numerous other volunteers.

Many of the events were featured in the local newspapers and magazines helping to raise awareness of the branch activities.

Dumfries and Galloway Council Archives have been digitising Galloway News photographs and have unearthed images from competitions held in the 1950s. They have also digitised films of past dyking competitions and it is hoped that the films can be edited and shown at the Mill on the Fleet visitor centre. Two 'pull up' panels have been produced by the branch with help with graphic design by the Mill on the Fleet. E-newsletters continue to be issued and circulated to members.

A proposal to build a demonstration dyke at Threave as part of the Dumfries and Galloway Council Galloway Glens Project was successfully included in an application made by Dumfries and Galloway Council to Heritage Lottery Fund. We hope to be building a dyke on Kelton Hill showing different styles found in south west Scotland. The building of the dyke has been proposed as a Scottish branch joint event for September 2019.

We currently have 19 branch members who continue to take part in training days or volunteering at events. I would like to thank the people who have contributed to the continued running of the South West Scotland Branch including landowners for providing sites, our able instructor Niall, John as treasurer, Linda as secretary and all the members who have played their part.

Nic Coombey, Branch Chairman