



SGOIL AN IOCHDAIR AGUS A CHOIMHEARSNACHD

ANNUAL REPORT 2013-2014

In March 2014 we met for our eighth AGM, reviewing the year 2012-2013 and setting our aims for 2013-2014. Our main aim in the year was to develop the plans for the football pitch.

Just to recap, our main object remains to support recreation and sport in the catchment area of Iochdar School. We do this as follows:

1. To promote interest and participation in sport, and related recreation in the catchment area of Iochdar School, especially in the interests of education, social welfare and health.
2. To assist in the coordination of various sports clubs and recreational organisations operating in the catchment area of Iochdar school, both generally and in relation to specific projects.
3. To examine the available sports and recreation facilities in the Iochdar area as against current and anticipated need and to make applications to the local council, local enterprise company and any other appropriate body in this connection.
4. To liaise with the councils sports development staff in furtherance of these objects.
5. To raise funds for such charitable purposes as the association may deem appropriate.

The people responsible for the company are the trustees. At June 2013, our trustees were:

M Bremner (Chairwoman, individual member)
Peter Bird (Vice chairman, Iochdar School Parents' Council)
J H Warner (Treasurer, Individual Member)
R MacPhee (Junior Youth Club)
A Campbell (Iochdar Saints)
S MacAulay (Iochdar Saints)
D R MacRury (SUBAS)

For 2013-2014 we set ourselves the following objectives:

1. General maintenance of benches and tree planted areas.
2. To develop the pitch plans for Iochdar Hall
3. Liaison with the school, pupils and parents' council concerning the maintenance and development of the school playground.
4. Liaison with third parties with reference to footpaths
5. Involving other groups especially potential user groups
6. Fundraising

1. General maintenance of facilities, benches and tree planted areas:

We undertook a planned litter clearance day, tidying around the Creagorry oop

We have agreement for the placement of amenity seating at the graveyard at Ardivachair and at the social housing at Rubha Doigeag. We have raised sufficient funds for the benches.

We arranged for the repair of the shelter at Iochdar School, and have raised funds and enough stone to erect a stone wall at Iochdar School.

We continue to keep the path at Iochdar road end clear from grass.

2. To develop the pitch plans for Iochdar Hall

We used funding for awards for all to commission plans for the football pitch. These are now being costed so that we can start raising funds towards the construction of the pitch.

3. Liaison with the school, pupils and parents' council concerning the maintenance and development of the school facilities.

We have continued to keep Iochdar School informed of our activities. We are also in contact with the council concerning general maintenance issues around the school and play areas, including drainage.

4. Liaison with third parties with reference to footpaths:

We have kept in touch with Angela at the WISE project. She has been invited to present her work to us.

5. Involving other groups and user groups

The following groups were members of our organisation in 2013-2014:

- Iochdar Junior Youth Club
- Iochdar Saints Football club

We have maintained links with:

- SUBAS (South Uist and Benbecula Annual Show)
- Storas Uibhist
- Iochdar Hall Committee
- Grazings committee
- Iochdar School & Iochdar School Board

In 2013-2014, we were members of:

- Uists and Barra Sports Council
- Third Sector Hebrides

We continue to maintain a website and a facebook page. One of our trustees sits on the Local Advisory Group for the council's development office. Another trustee is a member of the board of trustees for Storas Uibhist.

Our secretary, Dr Dawson, represented the association when she carried the baton for the Commonwealth Games.

6. Fundraising

During the accounting year, we continued to raise funds for recurring costs.