



SCOTTISH ARCTIC CLUB

To Encourage Adventurous Endeavour and Interest in the Science, Culture and Protection of the Arctic

Newsletter - Winter 2018

President: Douglas Anderson,

Vice President: Stella Spratley

Secretary: Ashley Buchan, Treasurer: Chris Calver,

Committee members: Matthew Burke, Chris Gilmore, Elspeth Hamilton, Cameron Mackay, Noel Williams, Aythya Young

www.scottisharcticclub.org.uk

New members are welcome: the Club is for people of all ages and nationalities who have an interest in the Arctic, particularly if they have already been, or are planning to travel there. See the web site for an application form.

Date for your diary

47th Annual Gathering and Supper

Saturday 17th November 2018

The Ben Nevis Hotel, Fort William

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Near the RSPB Lodge in Abernethy Woods on the Sunday morning walk. Photo by Conrad Hughes.

The 2016 Gathering & Supper

The 46th Annual Gathering and Supper was held on Saturday 18th November 2017. Another successful Gathering was enjoyed by approximately 80 members and guests present to hear a variety of presentations. The President, Douglas Anderson, welcomed everyone and after a brief introduction to the Gathering handed over to Chris Gilmore who acted as MC for the afternoon keeping all the speakers to their allotted time for the presentations.

We started with summaries from those who had received grants from the Club for expeditions in 2017. The eclectic range of talks included accounts of just some of the work that is being conducted into the changing environment and wildlife of the Arctic by young researchers. Subjects included waders on Baffin Island in High Arctic Canada (Ronan Dugan), toxicity in Eider duck eggs in Svalbard (Emily Hill), and change in insect faunas of Arctic Norway (Aythya Young). Combining exploration with research, Jennifer Roberts and Oliver Hill gave an account of the [British expedition to Stauning Alps, East Greenland](#). The expedition's multiple objectives included repeating measurements taken from Roslin Glacier back in the 1970s to observe the effects of climate change, whilst making first ascents of new peaks, and demonstrating how the difficulties of disability can overcome (one member of the expedition was registered blind/ severely impaired).

This was followed by keynote speaker, Peter Gallinelli, an architect, naval designer and explorer who travelled from Switzerland to present to the club a talk about his adventures in high latitude, including overwintering with his family aboard his purpose-designed 'passive' yacht, frozen in the ice for 10 months, north of Tule. More about his work on 'The Passive Igloo Project' can be found here: <http://igloo.sailworks.net/>

Members were delighted to have Bryan Alexander give an account of his revisit to the Serotteto family whom he first stayed with years previous on the Yamal Peninsula. As part of Bryan's visit, he traced the steps of the now-grown children of the deer-herding community to see where life has taken them.

Brigitte and Peter Grossmann, together with their friend Denise Martin, presented some spectacular black and white photographs of Ellesmere-Island, Sverdrup-Pass from 2000, and Louise Hollinrake rounded off the programme with a fascinating talk on the the Halkett Boat, an early lightweight, inflatable boat with which the Orkney-born explorer, John Rae, became enamored and of which only two examples survive, including Rae's own, currently housed in Stromness Museum, Orkney.

The Club are very grateful to Chris Gilmore, who with customary efficiency provided all the audio- and visual- equipment, as well as ensuring perfect timing throughout the programme.

The 2017 Gathering Programme:

Ronan Dugan: Research into waders on Baffin Island, Nunavut, High Arctic Canada

Emily Cave: BSci Geography Research in High Arctic Svalbard

Aythya Young: Research into insect faunas from Tonsnes, northern Norway

Jennifer Roberts & Oliver Mentz: 2017 Expedition to British Stauning Alps, East Greenland

Emily Hill: Migrating further North - Eider Duck research in Ny-Ålesund (video)

Keynote speaker, Peter Gallinelli: The passive igloo project - a year in the Arctic

Bryan Alexander: Revisiting the Serotteto Family

Hans-Peter and Brigitte Grossman, and Denise Martin: Ellesmere-Island, Sverdrup-Pass, 2000

Louise Hollinrake: John Rae and the Halkett Boat

The minutes of the AGM are included with this newsletter. Those demitting office in 2017 were: John Thorogood and Susie Ranford. The President thanked them for their efforts over the previous three years. The Treasurer may be re-elected and was willing to stand. Nominations from the committee were Aythya Young was nominated as ordinary member. The President then asked

for an additional nomination from the floor to which Noel Williams responded. Aythya and Noel were duly elected. Details of the rest of the AGM appear in the minutes.

Displays at the Gathering

Bryan and Cherry Alexander have been photographing the Polar Regions for over 40 years, culminating in, amongst other things, the publication of their book "[40 Below: Traditional Life in the Arctic](#)". The Club were very pleased to have Bryan and Cherry give the opportunity for members to buy from a selection of prints and texts, including the aforementioned book, at the Gathering.

The Supper

Seventy members and guests sat down to the annual Supper at 7.30pm. This was the first time in a number of years that the Club had decided to hold the Gathering outside of Fort William and throughout the day the Carrbridge Hotel provided excellent food and service. This included a lunch of soup and sandwiches, a fantastic array of treats for afternoon refreshments, and a filling three-course dinner (Christmas crackers included!). Dinner rolled seamlessly into the auction and raffle, before some members retired to the bar.

The Auction and Raffle

Stella Spratley and Aythya Young did an excellent turn running the raffle. Proceeds from which amounted to £244.5. The Club's President, Douglas Anderson stood in as auctioneer to encourage bidders to dig deep into their pockets. Among the items on auction were an array of maps, books, fine prints of a range of Arctic landscapes, a highly coveted special-edition whisky, and the return of a Musk Ox skull, won in a previous auction and re-donated by Elspeth Hamilton. Elizabeth and John Hay held their 'Guess the Malt' raffle, which together with money raised from the raffle, auction and donations have contributed over £1500 to the Expedition Fund.

Sunday morning walk

We are again very grateful to Liz Patterson for finding and leading an interesting walk for the few members who took advantage of this opportunity. The conditions were crisp and bright as the group set out for a walk through the ancient pine forest of Abernethy Wood, all the while keeping an eye out for Crested tits. Photograph above.

SAC's Mission Statement

During an annual meeting in 2017, the committee acknowledged that membership has been in gradual, but sustained, decline over the past number of years. In the course of thinking about the possible reasons for this, the committee identified the need for a clear and succinct mission statement to be used to communicate the Club's purpose. Efforts to develop this were led by the President, Douglas Anderson, and after some consideration the committee would like to present the following mission statement for the use of members in engaging others and encouraging them to join the Club:

"To Encourage Adventurous Endeavour and Interest in the Science, Culture and Protection of the Arctic."

With this in mind, the President made an appeal at the 2017 AGM that existing members each aim to invite a friend who is not yet a member or has not yet attended a Gathering to join them in Fort William later this year.

50 years of SAC

As members may have already noted, 2020 will be the 50th Anniversary of the establishment of the Scottish Arctic Club. In anticipation of the auspicious year, and in order to celebrate it, the committee would like to invite members to get involved in several activities: (1) a commemorative expedition (see Stella's appeal below), (2) submission of any stories and photographs relating to the history of the Club and its members, with a view to collating everything into a presentation at the 2020 Gathering. All submissions will be gratefully received by the Secretary, Ashley Buchan (E: sacsecretaryia@gmail.com, M: 07772 920402).

50 years of SAC: Commemorative Expedition

Stella Spratley

I've been thinking about ways we could mark 50 years of the SAC. An expedition to climb a new and unclimbed peak, would be great, but only a limited number of people could be involved. Should we spend the solstice somewhere under a midnight sun? Could be more and less active options? How remote a place could we get to? Or to keep the price down we could stay in Scotland. In small groups could we do 50 Munros in a weekend? Swim in 50 lochs? (Sorry, you know I like a swim) What do you think?

PLEASE respond to this message. I know there will be people reading it thinking 'I'll wait and see what the plan is and then I'll decide whether to get involved'. I'm happy to start working on a plan, but I really need to know what sort of plan to work on. And just because you've replied to this email, it doesn't mean that you're committed to anything.

NEW YOUNGER members, that does mean you too. Don't think that just because you're new to the club your opinion isn't important. The future of the club depends on you.

MORE SENIOR members, even if you don't want to be actively involved, you have the experience and expertise. Please make suggestions and give us ideas.

Look forward to hearing your ideas. If you email me directly at spratley42@hotmail.com it will save our hardworking secretary having to forward emails to me.

Many thanks,
Stella

SAC Archives

Iain Allison

The staff of the Archive Service have been through our material and rehoused it in new boxes and folders. The various parts of our archive are listed online and can be found using this link: <http://arccat.dundee.ac.uk/>, or from their main catalogue and enter Scottish Arctic Club into the 'Any Text' field. The catalogue entry is shown in the picture below.

Ref No	MS 391
Title	Scottish Arctic Club
Date	1939-2015
Description	<p>/1 'Waterson's Scrap book' newspaper cuttings, on trips made to the Arctic and Greenland, with postcards and Christmas cards addressed to Irene and George Waterson, and photographs of Svalbard by John Arnott, 1939-1980.</p> <p>/2 'Annual gatherings', includes venues of annual buffet suppers, correspondence, and lists of attendees, 1970 to 2001.</p> <p>/3 'Correspondence' detailing expedition correspondence, annual gatherings, and the Arctic Library collection, 1970-1990.</p> <p>/4 'Correspondence' detailing expedition correspondence, annual gatherings, and the Arctic Library collection, 1991-2010.</p> <p>/5 'Minutes, committee & AGM', minutes and AGM business relating to the Scottish Arctic Club, 1970-2005.</p> <p>/6 'Minutes, committee & AGM', minutes and AGM business relating to the Scottish Arctic Club, 2005-2015.</p> <p>/7 'Membership', membership lists, applications and address changes, 1973-2010.</p> <p>/8 'Constitution', copies of the Scottish Arctic Club's constitution throughout the years, 1977-2007.</p> <p>/9 'Summer Solstice meets', correspondence over the attendance of the SAC's annual walks, and organisation and planning, 1981-2003.</p> <p>/10 'Library' including correspondence and accounts, detailing library accounts and business, and the transfer of the Scottish Arctic Club's library to the Royal Scottish Geographical Society (RSGS), 1984-2008.</p> <p>/11 'Newsletters', detailing information on upcoming meetings and expeditions, 1987-2015.</p> <p>/12 'Expedition fund', including applications and grants awarded to the club, 1992-2010.</p> <p>/13 'Expedition reports', write ups of expeditions carried out by SAC members, and includes CDs, 2005-2010.</p> <p>/14 'Obituaries', of SAC members, 2006-2008.</p>
Level	Fonds
Extent	2 boxes and 1 folder
Access Status	Open
Language	English
Creator Name	Scottish Arctic Club Membership
Admin History	<p>The idea of forming the club was first discussed in 1969 by Iain Smart, Hugh Simpson, Bill Wallace and George Waterston. The first meeting was held in 1970, formed by academics of the University of Dundee. The members had a shared interest in Greenland and the Arctic and to join the club was initially by invitation only.</p> <p>Each autumn the club would organise suppers which were open to men only. Females members complained and the Summer Solstice weekends were established which included female members and wives. These events centred on walking but were later changed to Spring meetings.</p> <p>Funding was available for expeditions and for a time the Club was a charity but no longer. The Scottish Arctic Club has their own library which was then merged with the Waterstone library which belonged to George and Irene Waterstone; recently it became part of the Royal Scottish Geographical Society, Perth.</p> <p>The Club is still active today and membership is open to anyone with an interest in the Arctic.</p>

Book Review

Iain Allison

The Great Horizon

Jo Woolf. Sandstone Press (in association with the Royal Scottish Geographical Society), 2017.
ISBN 9781910985885

I attended the launch of The Great Horizon by Jo Woolf at Fair Maid's House, hosted by the Royal Scottish Geographical Society and home of the SAC library. It was pleasing to learn that the author made good use of our library in her research for this book and felt that it was an invaluable resource, especially some of the early first editions. Published on 16 November 2017, the book is available for purchase through the publisher, Sandstone Press, at £24.99. Of the 50 explorers the book covers, those with Arctic experience are: Fridtjof Nansen, Robert Peary!, William Speirs Bruce, Roald Amundsen, Wally Herbert, Ranulph Fiennes, Børge Ousland, Isobel Wylie Hutchison and Craig Mathieson (who is the RSGS's Explorer-in-residence). And there are those who ventured to the opposite polar region: Teddy Evans, Robert Falcon Scott, Ernest Shackleton, among the others. At just over 400 pages and with a good index, it has 32 plates of black and white and colour photographs as well as photographs of each explorer. The Great Horizon is an attractive, well written book ideal for dipping into at odd moments.

Note: SAC Library - club members and the public can view a catalogue of items in the SAC Library using the following link: <http://www.scottisharcticclub.org.uk/wp/library/> Club members can consult these libraries on request (please contact the RSGS first on 01738 455 050 or enquiries@rsgs.org).

Arctic Report Card

Issued annually since 2006, the Arctic Report Card collates environmental information on the current state of different components of the Arctic environmental system relative to historical records.

The Report Card is intended for a wide audience, including scientists, teachers, students, decision-makers and the general public interested in the Arctic environment and science.

In 2017 the report finds that the Arctic has reached a 'new normal' characterized by long-term losses in the extent and thickness of the sea ice cover, the extent and duration of the winter snow cover and the mass of ice in the Greenland Ice Sheet and Arctic glaciers, and warming sea surface and permafrost temperatures.

Read more: <http://www.arctic.noaa.gov/Report-Card>

Arctic Tartan

Iain Allison has pointed out that [Arctic Tartan](#) is available to purchase in scarf form from the UK Antarctic Heritage Trust (<http://www.ukaht.org/shop/clothing/>).

Welcome to the following new members!

Martin Rickard has been sea kayaking in Angmagssalik region and Scoresbysund, Greenland. He is particularly interested in the history of Gino Watkins and has been on trips to his BAARE base camp and Lake Fjord in 2004, 2010 and 2016.

Robert Barton has been on expeditions to and undertaken sailing, ski mountaineering, rock and snow climbs in Norway, Greenland, Svalbard, Iceland and Alaska. Robert is also a member of the Scottish Mountain Club (SMC).

David Broadhead has been on expeditions and ski tours in Stauning Alps, Greenland, and Sweden. He is also a member of the SMC.

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Secretary's address: Flat K, 2A Dean Path, Edinburgh, EH4 3BA

Please remember that the Club is active on both Facebook and Twitter and the Club has had its first member citing Facebook as the place where she found out about the Club

Scottish Arctic Club

Annual General Meeting DRAFT

Minutes of the AGM held at the Carrbridge Hotel, Carrbridge on Saturday 18th November, 2017 at 5.20 pm with Douglas Anderson, President, in the chair and 69 members present.

Apologies for absence were received from Katharina Beutner, Jim & Sandra Gregson, Elspeth Hamilton, Hans Jensen, John Peden, Chris Ravey, Audrey Scott, David Shaw, Myrtle Simpson, Fraser Sutherland, John Thorogood.

The president began by welcoming members to the AGM before proceeding to the first item on the Agenda.

1. **Minutes of the AGM of 19th November 2016**, which had previously been circulated, were proposed as an accurate record.

2. **Matters arising.**

There were no matters arising.

3. **The President's Annual Report**

Douglas Anderson summarised the activities over the past year and began by inviting Kathleen Cartwright to give a summary of the Attadale Meet which was held in May 2017. Kathleen said it had been excellent, that the rooms were full all week (some members attend only a part of the week), and that they had good weather. They will be back again next year, and sign up sheet was to be circulated at dinner.

The Summer Solstice Meet had its second successful year after being reinstated by organiser, Stella Spratley. It was hosted again in 2017 by Myrtle and Hugh Simpson at their home in Farleiter in Speyside. The event attracted 12 people for the barbeque and one of Stella's prodigious bonfires, followed by a screening of the Icelandic film "Rams", and an opportunity to view Myrtle's Polar Medal over a range of desserts.

The president stated that all of the applications to the Scottish Arctic Expedition Fund (SAEF) which were submitted in 2017 were successful and ultimately eight grants awarded in 2017, five of which gave presentations at the Gathering that afternoon. The SAEF achieved charity status in 2016, and the trustees met for their first AGM at noon on the day of the Gathering.

The President then invited the Secretary to present her membership report and the Treasurer his report.

4. **Membership report**

The Secretary, Ashley Buchan, reported that the membership has continued its steady decline; the number of members now stands at 136, down from 145 last year. This is due in part to the death of Iain Smart, a founding member, but the primary source of decline is lapsed members, in particular SAEF awardees who, having been granted their first year's membership of the SAC, do not renew their membership after the first year.

At a meeting in September 2017, the Committee acknowledge the sustained decline and discussed what actions may be taken to halt and reverse the trend. One principle action which has been undertaken is the production of a succinct mission statement, to better communicate the purpose of the Club to potential members. The mission statement will be circulated to the membership with the Winter newsletter. The Committee also considered

how it might increase the appeal of the Club to young people. It was agreed that a strategy to increase SAC's appeal would involve increasing its web and social media presence, and adding to the number of events in the SAC calendar (e.g. additional talks, outdoor weekends etc.).

SAC will attempt to establish a link with the Polar Academy, a charitable organisation that aims to change the lives of a select number of Scottish youths, aged 14-17, by putting them through a ten-month training programme before taking them on a 10-day expedition in Greenland. The President will extend an invitation for Craig Mathieson, head of the Polar Academy, and RSGS "Explorer in Residence", to give a talk at next year's Gathering, together with a young participant of a past expedition.

Finally, the President made an appeal to members to invite friends, new to the Club, to next year's Gathering and AGM.

5. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer, Chris Calver, tabled his accounts for 2016-2017. The balance on the 31st August 2017 stood at £12,479.72, an increase on last year of £940.28. He further commented on some of the figures in his accounts.

6. Scottish Arctic Expedition Fund (SAEF)

Since the SAEF achieved charity status in 2016, the committee had its first AGM at noon on the day of the 2017 Gathering.

The Secretary of the SAEF, Iain Allison, and Chair, John Peden, prepared a report for the committee stating that eight grants were awarded in session 2016-2017 to Katharina Beutner (UNIS), Alicja Borsberry-Woods (UNIS), Emily Cave (independent research, Svalbard), Emily Hill (MSc Research into toxicity in Eider duck eggs, Svalbard), Ronan Dugan (research into waders, Baffin Island, Canada), Vanessa Pitusi (UNIS), Molly Thompson (climbing expedition, Stauning Alps, Greenland) and Aythya Young (research into insect populations, Tromso, Norway).

The monetary business of SAEF has, for this year, been transacted on its behalf by the Scottish Arctic Club. SAEF Treasurer, Chris Calver, stated in his 2017 report that grants amounting to £2850 were awarded to eight individuals. £2400 was paid out during the year in question and £150 + £10 transfer charge was paid on the 22nd August. One sum of £300 remained unclaimed, though it was unclear at the time to whom it belonged.

Chris Calver submitted a letter indicating he wished to resign as SAEF Treasurer, whilst remaining SAC Treasurer for another year. Committee member Sue Fenton offered to take over as Treasurer and was duly elected. Aythya Young, a SAEF awardee in 2017, was elected as an ordinary committee member. Secretary, Iain Allison, and Chair, John Peden, indicated that they were happy to retain their roles for another year.

7. SAC website and social media

Susie Ranford has done an excellent job maintaining the website and, although stepping down as a committee member at the 2017 AGM, has agreed to continue with its maintenance. This year a contact form was added, through which the Secretary has received one new membership application, several requests for information from existing members, and (occasionally) spam mail.

Matthew Burke and Cameron Mackay have said that they are happy to continue with maintenance of the Club's Facebook and Twitter accounts. They have identified the need for original member content to post on these sites, specifically member news, stories and photos. This would be a means of showcasing members' activities and giving an impression of the club as being active. To that end, the Secretary will ask all those who

submit items for the newsletter for their permission to post on our social media (express permission will be sought).

8. SAC Archives

Iain Allison has been in touch with Caroline Brown of the University of Dundee (UoD) to confirm that the Club's material, comprising minutes of meetings, details of the library and its incorporation in that of the Royal Scottish Geographical Society, have been archived and added to their online catalogue so the collection is now 'findable' online. The UoD will also link to external catalogues such as the Archives Hub and the National Archives. Iain will add some words to go with the links which will be distributed in the next newsletter. They will also be made accessible to general public on our website, with a link to the Club's library, held at the RSGS in Perth, if available.

9. Election of new committee members

Those demitting office were: John Thorogood and Susie Ranford. The Treasurer may be re-elected and is willing to stand. Nominations from the committee were Aythya Young was nominated as ordinary member. The President then asked for an additional nomination from the floor to which Noel Williams responded. Aythya and Noel were duly elected.

10. Spring meeting

The President thanked Kathleen Cartwright for organising the Attadale meet once again and also for the large donation to the Expedition fund which accrues from it. Attadale has proved so popular that it was booked again for 12th -19th May 2018.

11. Summer Solstice Meeting

Stella Spratley stood up to advertise the third annual summer meet which next year will be held on 23rd - 24th June 2017. Stella has made a call out for input into organisation of next year's meet, but had at that time received no response, except from Myrtle Simpson who has again kindly offered to host the event. Stella noted that in the past summer solstice meets have involved walking, before the eating and drinking and asked that if anyone has any suggestions as to what they would like to do, they should get in touch. Similarly, volunteers to help out would also be gratefully received.

12. Annual Gathering and Supper 2018: venue and date

The Ben Nevis Hotel in Fort William was booked for 16th and 17th November, 2018, following the 2016 AGM, where a majority of the membership were in favour of trying a different venue and location for 2017, but wished to return to the Ben Nevis hotel in 2018. The cost of accommodation for the 2018 Gathering will be £42 per person per night (both nights) and will include dinner, bed and breakfast.

Several members gave favourable reviews of the Carrbridge Hotel and indicated that they would be happy to return in the future. In particular, the Carrbridge Hotel was noted for its value for money given the amount of food that had been provided. However, several members had indicated prior to the Gathering that the greater distance of Carrbridge and limited access via public transport had prohibited them from attending.

No suggestions for future venues were offered, though Mike Lea reiterated the desire of some members for the meeting to be arranged for the first weekend of November, since having it on the second means that it clashes with other events, including the Kendal Mountain Film Festival.

13. Activities on Sunday 19 Nov

Liz Patterson agreed to lead a walk for Sunday morning around Abernethy Forest, leaving at 10am. Members wishing to go were told to meet at the Hotel reception.

14. Any other business

14.2 Iain Roy proposed a vote of thanks to Chris Gilmore for once again organising the talks, providing the equipment, introducing the speakers and keeping them to time.

14.3 Mike Lea brought to the attention of the membership, the “Kirkcaldy and the Whale” conference, run by the Kirkcaldy Civic Society and held on the 25th November. The Arctic is an inevitable and significant subject of the conference.

14.1 Drawing notice to the fact that 2020 will be SAC’s 50th Anniversary, Douglas Anderson made a call for submission of stories and photographs from members. The Secretary will collate all submitted material.

The meeting closed at 5.55pm.

SAC Membership Report:

Membership at 31 August 2017 (2015-16)

Number of members:	136	(145)
Number of new members*:	4	(11)
Number of lapsed members‡:	12	(23)
Number who resigned:	0	(1)
Number of deceased members:	1	(3)

New members

Kirsty Black†
Hans Jensen
Alison MacPherson†
Alicia Jane McDowall

† - awarded grants in February 2016, so first year subscription (2016-17) paid by Club

Deceased member

Iain Smart

Lapsed members (length of membership)

Allen Dick (16 years)
Ian Barker (5 years)
Kirsty Bremner† (3 years)
Kim Crosbie (3 years)
Adam Davies† (3 years)
Martin Doble (3 years)
Laura Duncan† (3 years)
David Harper (3 years)
Eleanor Hopkinson† (3 years)
Alistair McGowan (4 years)
Sheena Stenico (5 years)
Emily Whyte (3 years)

† - awarded grant

Resigned members

N/A

Ashley Buchan, Secretary

27 October 2017

Scottish Arctic Club

Treasurer's Report
August 31 2016 - August 31st 2017.

Balance at bank 31/8/16	£11,539.44
Balance at bank 31/8/17	£12,479.72
Increase in balance for year	£ 940.28

At Aug 31 2017 Total resources available £12,479.72

Income

Subscriptions on Gathering forms/BACS	665.00
Subscriptions other dates	85.00
Gathering fees 2016	800.00
Supper Fees paid at Ft W	100.00
Raffle	310.00
Auction	515.00
Whisky Draws (Friday and Saturday)	137.00
Donations to Exp fund (all at Ft W)	1,165.00
Attadale Meet 2016	2,800.00

Total £6477

Expenditure

Office/Committee	51.66
Website registration fee	129.46
Supper/Gathering Expenses 2015	623.86
Supper Gathering Expenses 2016	361.75
Gathering Expense lapel Mic 2016	144.99
Expedition Grants	2400.00
Attadale 2016	1925.00

Total £5536.72

Surplus £941.28

This is £1 out but was accepted at the SAC committee meeting of 27/10/2017

The following cheque has been issued and thus expenditure will be in the 2017 to 2018 report.

I Allison paid grant in Euros to Katharina Beuthner via international banking	£160
Total	<u>£160</u>

Balance at bank 31/8/17	£12,479.72
Less above	£160.00
Sub Total	<u>£12,319.72</u>

Plus one transaction, income...	£10.00
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Balance at Bank at 19/9/17	<u>£12329.72</u>
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There may be some expenses to pay for speakers travel before the Supper on 18th November so at the moment the SAC has about £12,000 monetary resources available for use

My report is that everything is OK, and the club can afford to do what it wishes.

When the SAEF bank account is finally running I suggest that SAC keeps, as agreed by last year's AGM £3500. In due course more money can be transferred.

To effect smooth transfer all that will be needed is a cheque given to the trustees made out to The Scottish Arctic Club Expedition Fund

Chris Calver
SAC Treasurer
27/10/2017