



Annual Report 2008

OYT
SCOTLAND

**Adventure
under sail**
inspiring
young people



Ocean Youth Trust Scotland





Introduction



OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SCOTLAND

inspires positive change in young people through the challenge of Adventure under Sail.

Residential voyages aboard our vessels provide a powerful and effective environment for personal development.

In 2008, 1142 young people from a diverse range of backgrounds throughout Scotland sailed with us.

Their adventures and all the Trust's work were led by a small staff team and around 265 members.



[left] Taking the rough, with the smooth [inset]

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by many enthusiasts who were
not afraid to reach for the stars.”*





Introduction



IN 1999 OYTS WAS a fledgling organisation with the brand new Alba Venturer. Ten years later, in 2009, there are now three wonderful boats and nearly 300 members, taking 1200 young people sailing; who would have thought that ten years ago this was even possible?

It has taken a decade of hard effort by many enthusiasts who were not afraid to reach for the stars despite the many difficulties along the way and who have built the present world leading Ocean Youth Trust Scotland.

We can all be proud of this achievement as we look forward to celebrating this anniversary and to the next ten years of helping young people achieve their dreams.

Congratulations and Happy Birthday to Ocean Youth Trust Scotland.

Curly & Barbara

[left] Alba Venturer off Gourrock
[below] hoisting the main, and
Alba Endeavour off Staffa

Curly & Barbara Mills
Patrons, Ocean Youth Trust Scotland







[left] Thumbs up from the crew

Chairman's Message

I WAS 16 YEARS OLD when I first sailed with Ocean Youth Trust Scotland. I arrived at the pier in Kyle of Lochalsh, about to step aboard Taikoo, knowing no-one and nervous about the trip I was about to make. Memories of those ten days sailing to the Faroes will stay with me forever. So too, the confidence, resilience, enthusiasm and friendships that have shaped my life since.

I really am delighted about the progress and achievements made by OYT Scotland over the years. In 2008, the most obvious was the acquisition of Alba Endeavour and thus, her ability to meet the growing demand for Adventure under Sail. To expand further wasn't a decision taken lightly but from May to November, Alba Endeavour sailed at 92% occupancy. Our thanks go to Barbara and Curly Mills for making this possible.

During 2008 1,142 young people sailed on our three boats around the fabulous Scottish coastline, to England, Ireland, Wales, as well as to Norway in the Tall Ships Race. As a volunteer skipper of the Race's Cruise in Company, I saw at first hand the great time had by a group from Inverclyde, sailing Alba Explorer there, meeting other youngsters from around the globe and sharing stories. This is the kind of experience that OYT Scotland can give our young people.

Our shore-side activities go from strength to strength. The Training Seminar, Secret Skipper's Ball, the Gathering and Shore Groups' events, all helped to promote the organisation and to bring our sail training community together. Other significant developments included the review of our youth work training, the development of a new voyage syllabus and the recruitment of new operational staff and the Volunteer Co-ordinator which, I am confident, will provide a more positive experience for young people and volunteers.

The building of a new winter refit centre at Fairlie and moving to a new office in Glasgow took time but along with the now improved IT, administrative and financial procedures, the charity will be well placed for the future.

The input of our volunteers and supporters – time, effort and dedication – was integral to the success of 2008. Specifically, I thank Barry Fisher for his input as Chairman and also the incredible efforts of Stuart Wilson who, after ten years, is standing down as Company Secretary.

On behalf of the board, I look forward to working with our partners and supporters in this, our 10th Anniversary year. We'll be making a real difference to the young people who are ready to step aboard Alba Venturer, Alba Explorer and Alba Endeavour.

Simon Fraser
Chairman & Volunteer Skipper





[left] Alba Venturer's crew preparing for sea

Chief Executive's Message

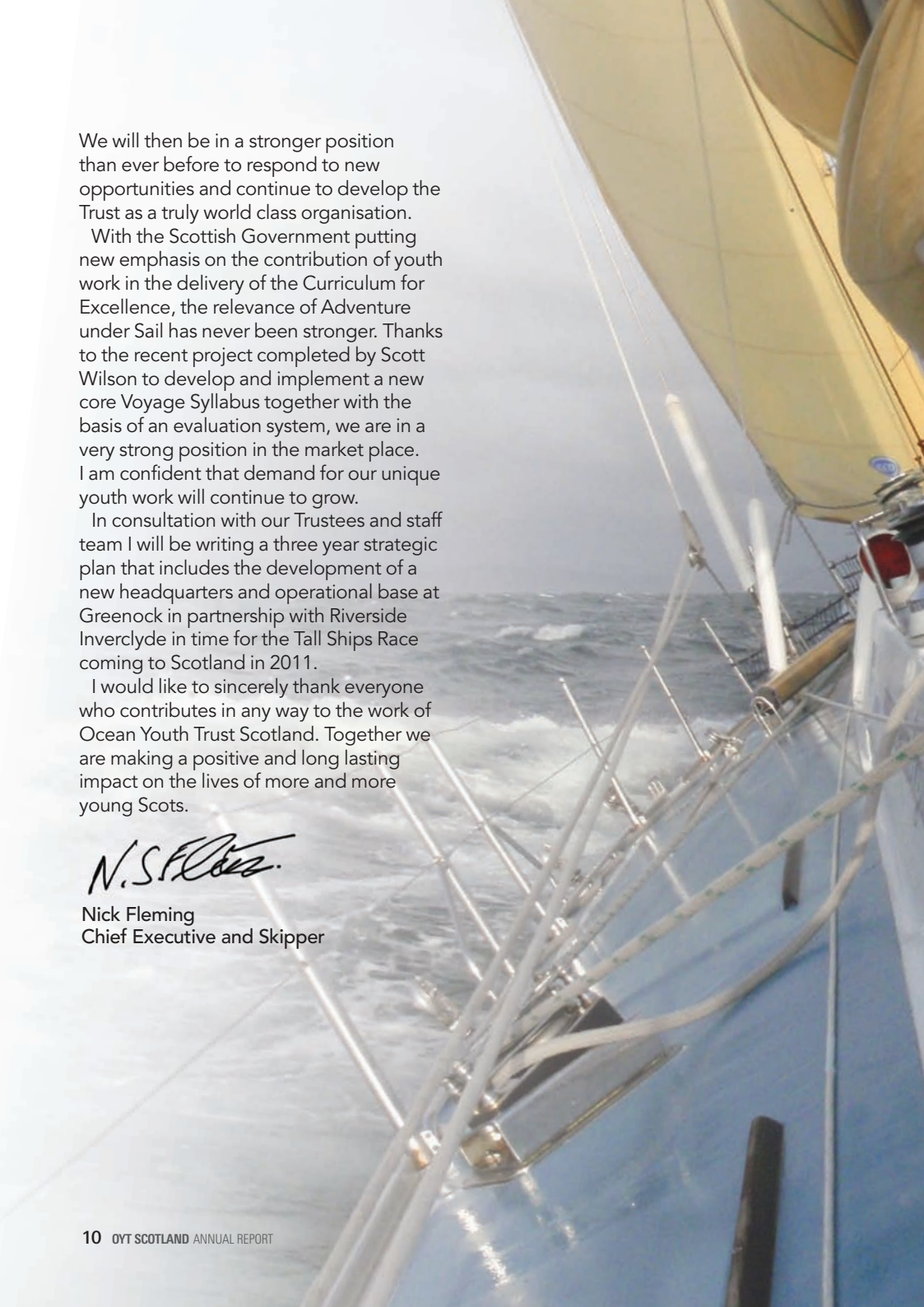
REFLECTING ON the Trust's achievements, I see that we have come a long way in the last couple of years. Successfully running a fleet of three boats, providing Adventure under Sail to nearly 1200 young people is something of which we should all be immensely proud. As we are about to celebrate our 10th Anniversary as an independent charity, it is clear that Ocean Youth Trust Scotland is an organisation that embraces change in a changing world. However our aims and values have changed very little in the last decade.

The benefits to young people remain the same: we have refined the way we deliver, measure and promote them. We now have three times the capacity we had ten years ago but we still aim for every single young

person who sails with us to have the adventure of a lifetime. Although we have a bigger staff team, we are still very much a voluntary organisation placing great value in the contribution of our amazing volunteers. The recent appointment of Gerry Doherty our new Volunteer Coordinator is providing a much needed resource in the recruitment, induction, communications and support of our growing pool of volunteers.

Looking ahead to 2009 and beyond, we face many challenges not least of which is the need to diversify our income streams. Helen our Fundraising Officer is doing a great job expanding our network of supporters. We will be working with the Chairman to fully establish our new Ambassadors network over the next few months. The Arctic Challenge is an exciting new project that will provide the opportunity for adults to experience the benefit of Adventure under Sail while raising funds to support our assisted berths scheme.

The main focus for the staff team in 2009 will be the consolidation of the organisation in order to achieve the highest levels of consistency in all areas of our work ashore and afloat. ►

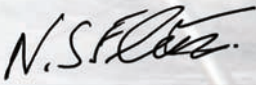


We will then be in a stronger position than ever before to respond to new opportunities and continue to develop the Trust as a truly world class organisation.

With the Scottish Government putting new emphasis on the contribution of youth work in the delivery of the Curriculum for Excellence, the relevance of Adventure under Sail has never been stronger. Thanks to the recent project completed by Scott Wilson to develop and implement a new core Voyage Syllabus together with the basis of an evaluation system, we are in a very strong position in the market place. I am confident that demand for our unique youth work will continue to grow.

In consultation with our Trustees and staff team I will be writing a three year strategic plan that includes the development of a new headquarters and operational base at Greenock in partnership with Riverside Inverclyde in time for the Tall Ships Race coming to Scotland in 2011.

I would like to sincerely thank everyone who contributes in any way to the work of Ocean Youth Trust Scotland. Together we are making a positive and long lasting impact on the lives of more and more young Scots.



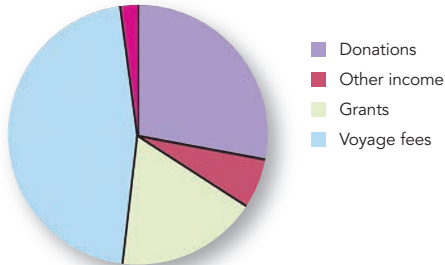
Nick Fleming
Chief Executive and Skipper

Financials

	2008	2007
General Funds	£	£
Operating Income	379,467	304,347
Operating Expenditure	437,724	293,291
Net	(58,257)	11,056

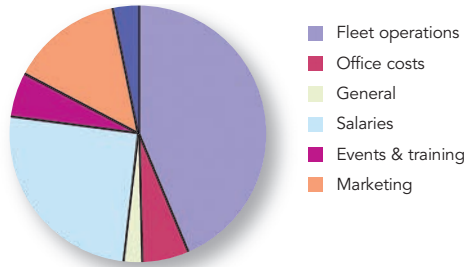
Operating Income 2007-08

OYT Scotland continues to work within the narrow margins of meeting operating costs through voyage fees and fundraising activities. Voyage fees at 66% are still a vital source of income. The level of unrestricted donations has risen from 2007.



Operating Expenditure 2007-08

37% of expenditure is made on the fleet. Salaries at 43% reflect the appointment of additional staff. Office costs remain low thanks to the much valued support of KPMG.



These figures are extracts from the audited accounts, a copy of which is available from the OYT Scotland office on request.

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Sail for sale

Capture a piece of history

Over the last 10 years many of us have hoisted it, reefed it, stowed it and shared its adventures with hundreds of young people. Now its time to replace this sail and you can keep a souvenir square of Alba Venturer's mainsail.

Minimum donation £10. Proceeds to our Sail Fund. Register online at sailforsale@oytscotland.org.uk

YOUNG PERSON'S PROFILE



DEAN ZELINSKI

"I sailed on Alba Endeavour through a project with Strathclyde Fire & Rescue. It was the best week of my life! I went there with next to no confidence, and left with a LOT!

Everyday had its best bits and the people there made it as good as it was. I enjoyed the games we played onboard that made everyone so much closer and comfortable around each other. Nothing can beat the laugh we had the night everyone ended up with chocolate and flour covered faces.

Tacking the boat in Force 7 winds was immense. Even the calmest of days with the motor on were full of fun. My best bit though, was watching the off-duty crew help the on-duty crew when there was a lot of work to do ... and I almost forgot, getting our OYTS and RYA Comp Crew certificates!

I felt at home with the sea staff and crew from the minute I stepped on board. I've now done Bosun's training and been accepted for the Young Leaders Development Programme. I'm definitely going to become a volunteer."

Inspiring young people through Adventure under Sail

FROM THE MOMENT a young person books with OYT Scotland, they can begin looking forward to an exciting adventure. If they came to us as part of a group in 2008, they'll have attended one of around 40 pre-voyage presentations that we provided. These sessions helped crew to manage their expectations and prepare them for the trip ahead: what the boat looks like, where they'll sleep and eat, who'll be with them and where they might visit.

The day before, they'll have packed their kit and soon it's time to set off for the port. Seeing the boat for the first time and meeting all the new people, twelve crew and six sea-staff, can be daunting. This is just part of what makes Adventure under Sail so powerful and effective in the personal development of young people.

Voyages on these large and exciting vessels are genuinely challenging. They are physically and mentally demanding and often unpredictable. They require interaction, commitment and participation by the whole crew - passengers are not tolerated. Sailing, navigating and all the domestic chores of life on board in a small space, present many opportunities for teamwork, problem-solving, learning, listening, leadership, planning and reviewing. So much so, that young people will excel at something they've probably never done before.

Voyage Outcomes

In June 2008 we began a review* of how well our voyages meet the needs of young people. Our brand of Adventure under Sail is a formula which has been proven to work well, so it was important to ensure that any new approaches did not compromise this successful tradition.

Following consultation with staff, volunteers and external advisors, new, simplified Voyage Outcomes were agreed. On OYT Scotland voyages young people will achieve increased:

Self-confidence

Responsibility & respect

Ability to learn from experience

Ability to work with others

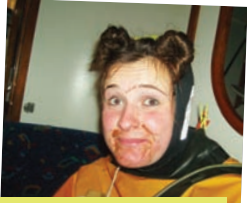
These Voyage Outcomes are in line with the Scottish Government's Curriculum for Excellence. There is also an emphasis on literacy, numeracy, communication, technology and skills for life and work.

The format of voyages will not differ greatly from that of any typical successful voyage in the past. However, the new outcomes will help to emphasise key areas and improve recognition of young people's achievements. Additionally we will be able to evaluate our contribution to improving young people's long-term quality of life, thus ensuring Ocean Youth Trust Scotland continues to operate effectively.

* Thanks to YouthLink Scotland and the Scottish Governments' Voluntary Organisations Support Fund for supporting the review.



YOUNG LEADER'S PROFILE



CAROLINE SELLAR

Caroline 'dressed' in chocolate, clothes pegs and immersion suit for the end of voyage party!

My first ever sailing experience was in September 2006. I had no idea what to expect but instantly fell in love with sailing. The thrill of tacking, hoisting sails and being splashed in the face by waves had me hooked straight away. This was something that I was going to get into!

I was recommended for the Young Leaders Development Programme and applied straight away. Sixteen days at sea was a very special and invaluable experience. It improved my sailing skills and importantly, introduced me to the leadership skills I needed to be good at as a Watch Leader.



Young Leaders Development Programme

WHILE THERE IS NO stronger influence on a young person than that of their peers, the challenge in youth work is ensuring that influence is positive. The Young Leaders Development Programme (YLDP) sustains the outcomes of our unique residential voyages. It continues to develop personal and social skills and introduces leadership skills through follow-on voyages and tailored training.

Those selected for the programme undertake a challenging 12 to 16 day voyage to a far-flung destination. This longer voyage allows them to work much more in their 'stretch zone', picking up hard and soft skills. In 2008 the Young Leaders visited all the countries of the UK and Ireland in an assault of the Irish Sea.

In a later stage, participants identify or help to form, a group of young people who are new to sail training. They help them to fundraise and prepare for their adventure with OYT Scotland. They sail onboard and help the new group to learn about the

boat, themselves and other crewmembers.

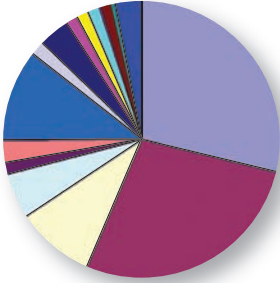
A flow of young volunteers in to the charity is essential for its continuation. Graduates of the YLDP are fully trained watch-leaders. They can continue their involvement with OYT Scotland by volunteering their time for as long as they enjoy it and their time allows. The skills and experience they gain from it will help them in other spheres of their lives too.

We are tremendously grateful to the Big Lottery Fund. Its funding in 2008 (and over the last 3 years) has placed 36 Young Leaders, many of whom are still active volunteers. In 2009 we welcome Braehead, one of Scotland's leading shopping and leisure destinations, as the new champion of the Young Leaders Development Programme.



Facts & figures

As Scotland's national sail training charity, we work with a diverse range of young people from all over Scotland. In 2008 684 boys and 456 girls joined as crew.



Diverse client groups

- Additional Support Needs
- Children & Family Support
- Further Education
- Visual/Hearing Impaired
- Independent School
- Local Authority School
- Multi Sector Agency
- OYTS Leadership Programme
- Preventative Youth Work
- Uniformed Youth Group
- Visual/Hearing Impaired
- Youth Group
- Further Education
- Individuals



Of 2008's 1142 young crew, 455 joined individually and 687 were part of the 35 groups who used our services. Of these groups, 74% were repeat bookings made by teachers, group leaders and others who see the value in sending their young people for Adventure under Sail, such as Hutchesons' Grammar School. Twelve of its pupils successfully completed their Duke of Edinburgh Silver Expedition. To prepare for it, they completed the RYA Basic Navigation course at night class before their five-day practice venture and final seven day expedition. As a result, 20 new pupils have signed up for 2009.

26% of bookings were new business made by the following groups:

- Dalgairn Centre in Fife
- Deaf Connections UK
- Mallaig High School
- Log-in Café in Barrhead
- Army Training Corp, West Lomond Battalion
- East Kilbride Boys Brigade
- Strathclyde Fire & Rescue
- Pollok Young Persons Project

Glasgow College of Nautical Studies

Towards the end of 2008 192 deck and engineering cadets from Glasgow College of Nautical Studies sailed on seven-day specially tailored courses, for a first taste of their future life at sea.

And beyond...

This year's non-Scots crew came from England, Ireland, Wales, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Poland, Japan, UAE, the Faeroes and Switzerland.



Assisted berths scheme

OYT SCOTLAND'S VISION is that all young people regardless of ability or circumstance should have the opportunity to realise their true potential in order for them to live healthy, fulfilling lives making a positive contribution to their community and to society in general.

Any young person, from any walk of life could benefit from Adventure under Sail. To make sure this opportunity is open to as many as possible, we have an Assisted Berths Scheme to which individuals and groups can apply for a contribution towards their berth fees.

In 2008, 255 young people were awarded a grant from the Assisted Berth Scheme totalling £55,128. Our thanks go to Artemis Charitable Foundation, the Moffat Charitable Trust, KPMG, the Bell's Nautical

Trust and our Shore Groups for helping these young people.

"Our voyage would not have been possible without funding from the Assisted Berths Scheme. More than that, OYT Scotland really took account of the additional needs of the young deaf people in my group. They organised staff from KPMG to buddy the young people so that they had some extra help. The sea staff learned some sign language. We had two pre-voyage sessions for my group so that everyone knew what to expect before they even stepped aboard Alba Venturer. What a trip!"

Paul McCusker, Deaf Connections UK

[above] Paul McCusker, 2nd from left, with the Deaf Connections crew on Jura, May '08

Our members and volunteers

AT THE END OF 2008, Ocean Youth Trust Scotland membership had grown to 265. Around 120 were actively volunteering on and off-shore, providing over 50,000 hours of service. The Trust is reliant on volunteers to direct the charity, promote the organisation locally and importantly, to staff the voyages. On the boats, they are positive role models for young people with fresh ideas and enthusiasm that simply couldn't be sustained by full-time sea staff.

In December we appointed Gerry Doherty as Volunteer Co-ordinator to ensure that OYT Scotland has sufficient volunteers to meet the demand for Adventure under Sail. His work will help us to provide positive volunteering experiences, to support our current volunteers, to recruit new ones from more diverse backgrounds.

It is our belief that OYT Scotland can bring about positive change in young people, delivered by dedicated and motivated volunteer staff.

For more information on volunteering, contact gerry@oytscotland.org.uk

Gerry's post is funded by the Scottish Government's National Youth Organisations Support fund through YouthLink Scotland. In his recruitment, we were helped greatly by Ian MacLeod and his team at Odgers Berndtson.

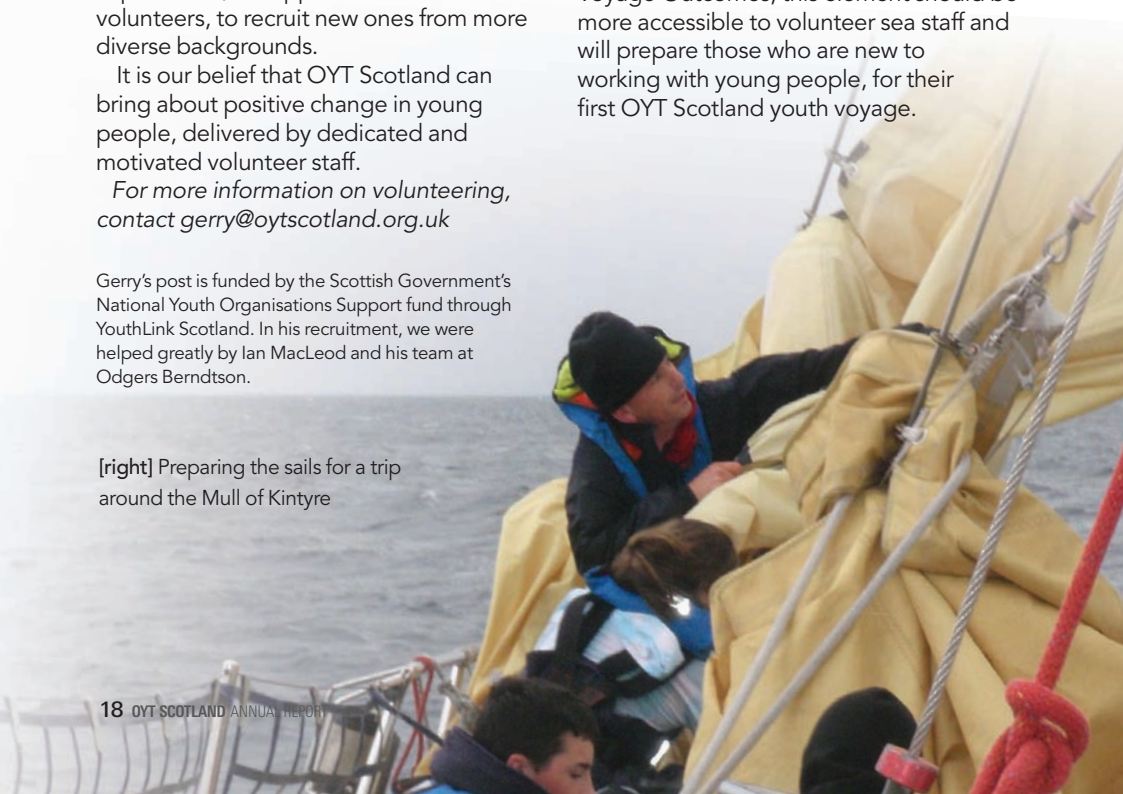
[right] Preparing the sails for a trip around the Mull of Kintyre

Volunteer Development & Training

We plan to recruit and train approximately 50 volunteers annually over the next three years. Our award-winning training programme covers the hard and soft skills training which are required for youth work at sea. In 2008 the programme provided 216 learning opportunities for our volunteers, resulting in 35 nationally recognised qualifications and 181 non-accredited awards.

Volunteer training includes crew welfare, fun and games, practical seamanship, command skills, a range of Royal Yachting Associations qualifications and our new youth work training.

Devised at the same time as the new Voyage Outcomes, this element should be more accessible to volunteer sea staff and will prepare those who are new to working with young people, for their first OYT Scotland youth voyage.



Volunteer Profiles

"OYT SCOTLAND, IS THE MOST AWESOME SAIL TRAINING ORGANISATION."

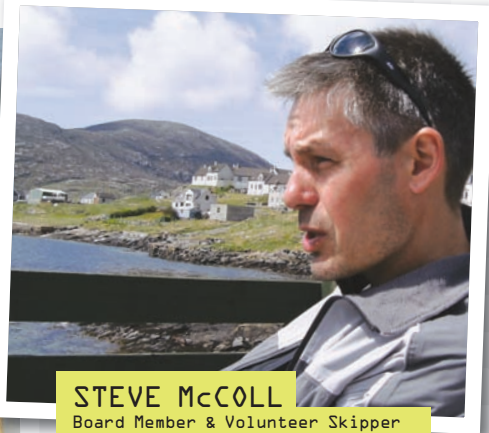
GEMMA REID

Shore Group Chair & Bosun

I ALREADY DID dinghy sailing at school when Steve McColl told me about Ocean Youth Trust Scotland and asked if I'd like to join an induction voyage. Would I be interested? Of course! I followed the Bosun around for the weekend and thought it was awesome. I then joined Southeasterlies shore group to see if I could help out more.

In the last school holidays I booked on as sea staff for around four weeks. The trips went as far north as Inverary and as far south as Bangor, and I met some pretty awesome young people. Now I also chair South Easterlies Shore Group. I volunteer because of what the Trust offers to young people. It inspires positive change and it encourages life-long learning. There's great banter too.

My best memories aboard the boat are the crew laughing at my dance moves, playing Evolve on the beach but especially, at the end of a voyage, seeing a whole group of young people leave with Competent Crew certificates.



STEVE McCOLL

Board Member & Volunteer Skipper

MY PARENTS cruelly forced me into an 18-foot daysailer at the age of two, kitted out in a non-functioning (they later discovered) Donald Duck lifejacket. I survived The Solent, progressing to sail further afield. For most of my twenties my brother and I were building a 67-foot schooner called Hippo, though I still managed some sailing, delivering a friend's boat up to the West of Scotland which I fell in love with.

A career change from boatyards to teaching brought me to study at Edinburgh University where I signed up with Alba Venturer for the Scottish Islands Peaks Race in 2003 and learned that you can row a 60-tonne boat. You know what OYTS is like, resistance is futile; missing my chance to do a runner, I now volunteer with the trust and help to organise trips for pupils from my school, such as Gemma.

OYT Scotland ashore

Our regional shore groups are a vital link to local communities, helping to promote Adventure under Sail to young people, potential volunteers and supporters. We've begun work to start a new group covering the Highlands and Moray to complement what's going on elsewhere around the country.

Glasgow Scotmates

Glasgow Scotmates alleviated winter gloom by organising a successful pub quiz in early February. Other funds were raised from the Boat Jumble and from selling Spree books and mugs. The biggest successes in 2008 were the £9900 grant from Awards for All to enhance volunteer training and attracting lots of potential new volunteers at the Clyde River Festival in July.

scotmates@oytscotland.org.uk

Aberdeen and North East Scotland Shore Group

The group provided financial support towards 34 local young people's berth fees. It recruited new mates, held RYA training courses, manned stands at sailing club open days and at the Portsoy Traditional Boat Festival and met the First Minister again. Group members organised a fund-raising ceilidh in the winter and dinghy sailing for young people in the summer. They ensured that sea staff and tea towels were laundered while in Aberdeen, helped to paint the boats and corrected all the charts. What a year!

aberdeenne@oytscotland.org.uk

Tayside & Fife Shore Group

As a new group, Tayside & Fife set out to promote the Trust locally. With an Awards for All grant, they

assisted 11 young people's places on voyages and two places on bosun's training – one young man has since been selected for the Young Leaders Development Programme. They organised three promotional meetings for teachers and youth workers and a voyage for seven disabled young adults, which provided them with a totally new experience. The group has recruited six new volunteer sea staff, and has another six ready to begin training.

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South Easterlies

Southeasterlies helped to secure a grant from Bell's Nautical Trust and made a successful application to Awards for All. Both provided financial assistance for Adventure under Sail for local youngsters, including 12 from Craigmount High School. Thanks go to Jen McDicken for chairing Southeasterlies before work took her to Aberdeen and we welcome Gemma Reid as the group's new Chair. Gemma is looking forward to making more people aware of the trust and what it offers young people.

southeasterlies@oytscotland.org.uk

If you're interested in joining a group, email the addresses above. If you'd like to establish one in your area, please contact gerry@oytscotland.org.uk





The raft race at the annual Gathering - before it all went horribly wrong

Events ashore

2008's first big shore-side event was the AGM and Seminar in February attended by 60 members. Matt's 'montage' of the past season's pictures provided a great visual reminder of how young people flourish during Adventure under Sail. The Scotmates Volunteer of the Year Award went to Jane Parfitt and the John Crawley Award to Ewan McCance for their great efforts in supporting the Trust's work.

On 23rd May Alba Endeavour's naming ceremony at Greenock was attended by Adam Ingram MSP, Minister for Children & Early Years and by a good number of old and new faces from near and far.


In September 48 volunteers (and 3 dogs) danced the night away to the Jiggernauts at the Secret Skipper's Ball. Thanks go to

Dominic Dobson for providing such a fantastic venue and campsite.

In November 34 young people attended the annual Gathering. Thanks go to the 20 volunteers and staff who helped to make it a great weekend and for Artemis Charitable Foundation's contribution to young people's costs.

As well as members' events, we are grateful to the following for allowing us to showcase what we do: Anne Gunther of Standard Life Bank and Colin Stewart of Citi for hosting an evening with Jim Mather MSP and guests, to Ian MacLeod for hosting a networking lunch and the inaugural Ambassadors' event and the Institute of Directors that invited Alba Endeavour and staff to an evening reception.



ARTEMIS 

Ocean Youth Trust Scotland



ALBA EXPLORER

Our Fleet

DÉJÀ-VU. THE WINTER started with a Challenge 72 arriving on Braehead's pontoon after a windy delivery trip. Only this time it was Stelmar and her skipper was our long serving (or long suffering) volunteer Malcolm Macarthur. Donated by Barbara and Curly Mills, the boat has since been named Alba Endeavour and has greatly increased our capacity to deliver Adventure under Sail.

At the same time, Dan Russell and Jenny Mellows began the refits on Alba Explorer and Alba Venturer at Sandpoint Marina, Dumbarton. It was time-constrained as only one boat at a time could be refitted undercover. With the help of the refit bosuns Paul Steel, Laura Robertson and Dave Crummey and the dedicated refit volunteers, they did a great job. Sadly, we left Dumbarton for the last time (we would be moving to a bigger site to accommodate three boats undercover) having had a great working relationship with owners Pat and Nan Docherty.

Having provided hundreds of RYA practical courses to volunteers over the last 4 years, Alba Volunteer was sold in the spring to a good home in warmer waters.

An agreement was made with Cumbrae National Centre to use their boats for volunteers' small boat training.

At the beginning of the summer, the Deaf Connections voyage sponsored by KPMG was a great success. All on board, sea staff and crew, learned a great deal from each other and even pioneered new sign language. Following the naming ceremony in May, Alba Endeavour's full-time skipper was appointed: Dougie Walker is a welcome addition to the team with a wealth of sail training experience, drive and enthusiasm.

Alba Explorer rose to fame in July's Tall Ships Race from Liverpool to Norway,



[above] Guy Iannetta and Katie Millford at Alba Explorer's naming ceremony
[left] Alba Endeavour at Kerrera

winning 1st in class and 1st over the line - a fantastic result for Dan Russell and his crew.

Toward the end of the season, we began moving the refit site to Fairlie Quay. Alba Venturer's cradle was dismantled and moved along with the four containers, with the help of Sandy McNeill. The containers were rewired and relined, safety netting and access ladders brought in, and new storage areas built. Thanks go to Artemis Charitable Foundation for providing funds for this, to Colin Inglis of Eagle Plant Hire for advice and equipment and to Keith Longbone who was vital in setting it all up.

Our last voyages were in partnership with Glasgow College of Nautical Studies. OYTS vessels and staff were used to deliver a successful 'life at sea' challenge for its new naval cadets.

As we go to press, the three boats are now undercover at Fairlie Quay for the 2008/09 refit. Helen Acton joined us as Alba Venturer's new skipper - some emotion on Trevor's part as he handed over the wheel, but assurance that she is in good hands.

It has been a testing year: OYT Scotland's rapid growth, operating three boats, moving the refit site and taking on new staff. However, we feel this has strengthened the organisation and enabled us to tackle the next 18 months. With the support of our volunteers and sponsors, the fleet will meet the challenge.

Our Supporters

The Trust would like to thank the following organisations and people for helping to make Adventure under Sail possible for 1142 young people.

PRINCIPAL SUPPORTERS



Curly & Barbara Mills

Aberdeen & North East Shore Group
 Banchory Academy
 Bell's Nautical Trust
 Clyde Cruising Club Seamanship & Pilotage Trust
 Pam Cornwallis & friends
 D.W.T. Cargill Fund
 Eagle Plant Hire
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 Iain Laidlaw
 Austen D Reid
 Tall Ships Youth Trust International Fund
 Tayport Charity Shop
 Mark Tyndall
 Richard Wood

In choosing to support our work, we offer organisations opportunities for staff team development, volunteering, training, networking, PR and hospitality. If you would like to know more, contact helen@oytscotland.org.uk

By working with the following organisations our voyages have been made even more rewarding:



As others see us

"We want young people to succeed in society – no barriers, no exclusion. We're confident that through our support of OYT Scotland, we're providing many more opportunities and helping to make a positive impact on more young lives."

LINDSAY WHITELAW, ARTEMIS

"We encountered all sorts of new experiences and faced some challenging weather conditions, including F7 winds and snow across the deck, but we finished, smiling, in the sunshine. I was immensely impressed by the whole operation."

KEN TAGGART,

EAST KILBRIDE BOYS BRIGADE

"I was delighted to attend Alba Endeavour's naming ceremony in May. What a pleasure to meet the young people, volunteers, staff and guests who all share such a passion for Adventure under Sail."

ADAM INGRAM MSP,

MINISTER FOR CHILDREN & EARLY YEARS

"I learned to try my best when things get hard. To be able to help people when feeling ill yourself. To be positive and enthusiastic. To be organised and on time. To be able to clean etc. To try not to react badly to people. I will take

away memories and new friends. I have learned to listen and work well on my own."

YOUNG PERSON,

EAST AYRSHIRE OUTDOOR LEARNING

"Ocean Youth Trust Scotland has a great story to tell and I've been delighted to give them a platform at Odger's events. One of these resulted in a fantastic new partnership with Glasgow College of Nautical Studies."

IAN MacLEOD, MANAGING PARTNER,

ODGERS BERNDTSON

"The Robertson Trust is pleased to contribute to OYT Scotland's education and development work by helping young people to prepare and get the most out of their voyages and ensuring that personal goals are set and met."

DUNCAN MUNRO, DIRECTOR,

THE ROBERTSON TRUST

"Since my son has been on his voyage, he's tidied his own room and the whole house. He has cooked dinner for the whole family, which he has never done before. I was so impressed with the change in him, I've encouraged him to apply for the Challenge Voyage in 2009."

MRS M.





Staff from our supporters KPMG enjoying day sail aboard Alba Explorer to get a taste of Adventure under Sail

Being involved

Ocean Youth Trust Scotland is making a really positive impact on the lives of young people throughout Scotland. You can be part of it

SAIL WITH US

Aged 12 – 24 and like the sound of Adventure under Sail? Then check out the website for available berths. Group leaders can contact the office directly.

JOIN US

Become a member – help to shape the future of the organisation, receive newsletters, email updates, chandlery discounts and access to our subsidised volunteer training programme.

VOLUNTEER WITH US

Aged 16+ and looking for a rewarding way to spend your time? Then there's nothing like becoming an OYT Scotland mate.

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