



Ocean Youth Trust South

Adventure Under Sail



2009 Annual Report

OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

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THE OBJECTIVES OF THE TRUST

Ocean Youth Trust South exists to offer personal development through adventure under sail to young people aged 12 to 25.

The great majority of young crew members come from vulnerable or disadvantaged backgrounds or face significant problems at home or at school; but there are also places for young people from mainstream backgrounds.

Young crew members living in a wide variety of circumstances benefit enormously from being taken right out of their familiar environment and encouraged to face new challenges, enjoy new experiences, make friends, work as a team, acquire new skills and, above all, develop their confidence.

In practice this is achieved by putting twelve young people together on board our 72-foot sailing vessel, *John Laing*, with safety and support provided by skilled sea staff.

ABOUT OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

Background and Purpose

- OYT South is one of a number of independent regional Ocean Youth Trust charities based around the UK, most of them (including OYT South) founded in 2000. They all grew out of the Ocean Youth Club (OYC), which was established in 1960 by Chris Ellis and Chris Courtauld. 2010 is therefore the charity's 50th anniversary.
- Each year OYT South takes 400 – 500 young people to sea.
- Ocean Youth Trust South owns *John Laing*, a 72-foot steel ketch specifically designed as a sail training vessel.
- The Trust's main purpose is to offer **Adventure Under Sail** as a development opportunity for young people aged 12 to 25.
- The Trust aims to reach as wide a range of young people as possible, and works in partnership with other charities and youth organisations to arrange voyages for vulnerable and disadvantaged young people who would never normally have the opportunity to take part in something like this.
- Voyages can last from two days to two weeks and involve twelve young crew members at a time, plus five or six adult sea staff.
- *John Laing's* usual sailing area covers the south coast of England, the West Country, France and the Channel Islands, with occasional longer and more challenging voyages such as the Tall Ships race series.

OYT South People and Organisation

OYT South has a full-time team of four people: our Operations Manager and Office Manager ashore, plus the Staff Skipper and Bosun on board the boat.

We are also grateful for the commitment of our volunteers, who sail as sea staff, undertake vessel maintenance and provide essential shore support.

OYT South is managed by a Board of Trustees, some of whom are also qualified sea staff.

THE 2009 SAILING SEASON

A new year and a new skipper! After eight seasons as our full-time staff skipper, Mark “Wolf” Todd has been handing *John Laing* over to a new skipper, James Boyce, allowing Mark to move into a more shorebased role as Operations Manager. The 2009 season was therefore mainly shared between Mark and James, and both of them enjoyed some outstanding sailing with a selection of truly inspirational young people.



Dumpton School, Dorset, got the season off to a cracking start in gusty weather, and they were followed by a wide variety of schools, youth groups, other charities and many individual bookings. Generous bursary funding helped to bring new organisations to the boat, as well as young people who couldn't otherwise afford a voyage. One bursary scheme which began in 2009 and is set

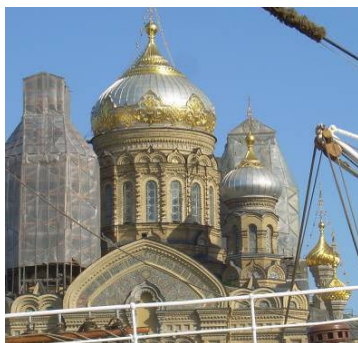


to continue in future is the Peter Dixon Mohawk Voyage Programme, in memory of Peter Dixon who died in 2007 at the age of 92, having served with distinction in HMS Mohawk during the Second World War. Hampshire County Council also stepped in with new support for local youngsters. Alongside other bursary programmes, this funding made a tremendous difference to a very large number of young crew members.

In May, on one of our regular day sails for supporters, we had a farewell sail with Lyn Gough who has retired from MDL after many years of organising the MDL Award Winners for their annual sponsored voyage. Lyn was responsible for choosing some of the most remarkable crew members we have ever had: every year, MDL sponsors young people who face true hardship and still manage to rise above their problems.

This was followed by a pair of voyages which provides a perfect illustration of the breadth of OYT South's work: a voyage for Toynbee Hall, a Tower Hamlets charity doing great work with some very disadvantaged young people, was immediately followed by a weekend sail for Cheltenham Ladies College!

Demand for places was so high this year that OYT South borrowed *Thermopylae Clipper* from the Discovery Sailing Project, to offer places to some of our regular clients who had missed out on places on board *John Laing*. Parkhouse School, in May, plus Hampshire's Team for the Education of Children in Care in October, pioneered this project, which worked well and we hope can be repeated.



We saw lots of our regular client groups on board as summer approached. Devon & Cornwall Foyer, a homelessness charity, supplied some of the crew as *John Laing* sailed to Germany on the first leg of the summer's Baltic adventures. Race 1 of the Tall Ships series took us from Gdynia in Poland to St Petersburg in Russia – a memorable visit enhanced by a great race result – ninth in class!

A mixed crew from the UK, Russia and Australia joined us for the next leg, a superb cruise through the Finnish islands in company with our friends *Black Diamond* and *Pegasus*, before taking part in Race 2, where the crew was distinguished by huge enthusiasm despite light winds from Finland to Lithuania.

Back in the UK by mid-August, we returned to the usual great mix of young crews for a series of local voyages: old friends such as our children's hospice partners, and new ones including a day sail for Royal Southampton Yacht Club cadets, and a voyage for young people with diabetes from Hillingdon Hospital. Parkside School provided some of the best photos of the season: spinnaker in the sunset!



The ASTO Small Ships race in the Solent, and OYT South's Open Day in October, with over 70 people for lunch, were further autumn highlights, and we finished the season with two day sails for the Royal Yachting Association, to give Instructors and Examiners some experience of big-boat sailing – a great success as several immediately applied to join our volunteer sea staff.

Altogether one of our most successful sailing seasons ever: but best of all was seeing hundreds of young people taking the opportunity to develop new skills, build their confidence, work as a team, face their fears and deal competently and enthusiastically with real responsibilities as crew members.

2009 FACTS AND FIGURES

Berth sales: We had 526 berths available to sell; 516 were sold (98%) and after some last-minute drop-outs, 496 (94%) were actually filled – a major achievement given that some of our most disadvantaged young people lead highly disrupted lives. Average berth occupancy across UK sail training is just under 70% (source: ASTO). Including staff, volunteers, volunteer training and day sails, we actually took 781 people to sea.

Crew members: Over 60% of the young people who sailed with us were assessed as having some sort of disadvantage. Many came to us via mainstream and special schools, youth groups and other charities ranging from children's hospices to homelessness groups. But we still offer places for young people from all backgrounds: you do not need to be disadvantaged to sail with us.

Berth cost subsidies: All crew members aged 12-25 had a basic subsidy of 50% of the true cost of running their voyage, paid for through our fundraising. This keeps voyages affordable for young people from the widest possible range of backgrounds and is a key element of our charitable purpose. In addition, 138 young people received further special bursaries to a total of £29,233, when they could not otherwise afford to sail. These bursaries ranged from £80, where people had made every effort to raise the money but fallen just short, up to £720, to allow some exceptionally deserving young people to join our most expensive overseas voyages. All this was possible thanks to some very generous donors.

Qualifications: 264 people earned recognised RYA qualifications on board this year: 232 Start Yachting certificates, and 32 Competent Crew certificates.

Volunteers: 68 people sailed as sea staff in 2009. Sixty-two were volunteers who between them gave 935 days to sail on our voyages. Almost a quarter of volunteer sea staff were aged 25 or under. Fifty-five volunteers contributed 572 days' work to *John Laing's* refit between November 2008 and March 2009.

Volunteer training: On our training courses in February 2009, 38 people earned 54 qualifications between them: first aid, radar, diesel engines, GMDSS radio licences, basic food hygiene, sea survival and powerboat level 2.

Sailing programme: *John Laing* covered 8,065 nautical miles in 2009. Thirty-eight voyages were local trips on the south coast of England, with occasional passages to France or the Channel Islands. Seven voyages went much further, with the Tall Ships series taking us on a round trip via Ipswich, Kiel, Gdynia, St Petersburg, Turku, Klaipeda and back to Kiel and Ipswich.

50th ANNIVERSARY: 1960-2010 OCEAN YOUTH CLUB – OCEAN YOUTH TRUST



The Ocean Youth Club was founded in 1960 by Chris Ellis and Chris Courtauld. In the Club's first full year, two vessels, Duet and Theodora, offered 427 crew places for young people.

In the first decade, numbers of different boats were used, mainly on loan. But by the early 1970s, the OYC was building sail training vessels in our own yard. These specially designed Robert Clark ketches became the backbone of the Club for almost twenty years.

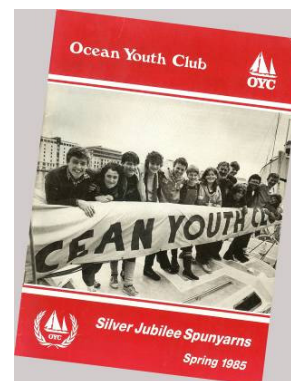


By the time of the 25th anniversary in 1985, the Club could claim to have taken over 65,000 young people to sea; and the silver jubilee was celebrated with a Round Britain Rally featuring eleven OYC vessels sailing 2,800 miles and visiting 35 ports. During the Rally, the Club was aiming to raise funds for a new class of vessels: the Shipwright 70.

The second of the class, *John Laing*, was launched in 1990 and named by Lady Laing. In December 1995 she began a 13-leg circumnavigation of the world with her sister ship *James Cook*, returning in March 1997.

At the end of 1999 the OYC's head office in Gosport closed, and the Club returned to the original vision of a number of separate regional charities. Ocean Youth Trust South was founded, taking over *John Laing*, and sailing in the 2000 Transatlantic Tall Ships Race. The following year *John Laing* was chartered to the British Army Antarctic Expedition for 9 months. Since then, *John Laing* has sailed with thousands of young people, mainly in the English Channel, but with Tall Ships races taking us as far north as Maloy, west to Waterford, south to Cadiz, and east to St Petersburg.

A number of 50th anniversary celebration events have been planned for 2010, with the highlight being a celebration party on October 16th in Portsmouth's Historic Dockyard, open to supporters, friends and anyone else who has been involved with the Ocean Youth Club or Ocean Youth Trust. See here for details: http://www.oightsouth.org/50th_anniversary.asp.



OYT SOUTH STAFF

2009 saw some significant changes to our staffing as we prepared for the retirement of long-serving General Manager David Salmon at the end of October. David joined the Ocean Youth Club in 1999. We owe him tremendous thanks for years of hard work, and we wish him a long and happy retirement.

David's departure led to some restructuring, with long-serving Staff Skipper Mark Todd moving into a more shore-based role as Operations Manager, and Office Manager Sally Croly taking on new responsibilities. Preparing for the replacement of Mark on board *John Laing*, we were joined in March 2009 by James Boyce, who enjoyed a season-long handover and will be our full-time Staff Skipper in 2010. The bosun through 2009 was Liz Key, who completed this two year training role at the end of the season and has now moved on to a mate's job with another sail training organisation – we wish her the best of luck for the future. From 2010, our staff bosun is Kirsten Mackay.

OYT South's full-time staff for 2010 are therefore:



Operations Manager – Mark Todd

Previously a solicitor, he has been working full-time in sail training since 1997, including nine years as Staff Skipper with OYT South. He moved into a shore-based role overseeing the development of the charity in November 2009.

Office Manager – Sally Croly

Sally has travelled widely and spent four years in Hong Kong, where she worked for the police. She has been with OYT South since 2003, moving up steadily from part-time admin assistant to a full-time role running the office.



Staff Skipper – James Boyce

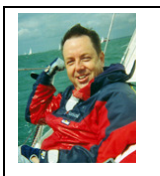


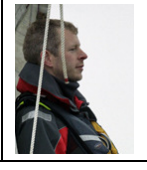
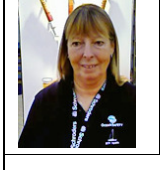
James completed ASTO's skippership training in 2006, and then worked for OYT North West, initially as first mate and then as skipper. He enjoyed a highly successful first season with OYT South in 2009, becoming very popular with our clients.

Staff Bosun – Kirsten Mackay

Kirsten joined us at the start of 2010 after almost a year with Square Sail in Cornwall, as well as volunteering as Bosun's Mate with the Jubilee Sailing Trust. Before that she was an education administrator, running orchestral outreach projects for schools.



OYT SOUTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES

	<p><i>Fred Cole – Chairman of the Board</i> Fred is UK Manager of the Yacht Division of International Paint. He has experience in marketing, sales, project management, PR, sponsorships, business strategy, employee relations and general management.</p>
<p><i>Brian Eyres - Treasurer</i> Brian is a former Ocean Youth Club staff skipper, who first got involved with <i>John Laing</i> immediately after the vessel's naming ceremony. A qualified book-keeper, he does a lot of work on OYT South's administration and budgeting.</p>	
	<p><i>Colonel (Ret'd) Mike Bowles.</i> After 34 years in the Army, Mike is now involved with Sail Training International as part time Race Director, and is a Trustee of two other charities - the South Atlantic Medal Association and Falklands Conservation.</p>
<p><i>Richard Griffiths</i> A barrister as well as a keen sailor, Richard joined OYT South's Board of Trustees in June 2009 to plough through small print and keep the charity on the right side of the law.</p>	
	<p><i>Steve Lacey</i> Steve works for Dorset County Council as a Senior Youth Worker. He became involved with OYT South by bringing a group of young people to sail in 2002. He is OYT South's Child Protection Officer, and sails as second mate.</p>
<p><i>Ben Martin</i> Aged 22, Ben is our current Youth Trustee and a first mate, having joined us a young crew member in 2005. He also chairs the ASTO Sail Training Youth Committee and is UK representative on the STI International Youth Forum.</p>	
	<p><i>Fiona Pankhurst</i> Fiona is Head of Corporate Marketing & PR at Raymarine, and has extensive experience of the charity world through involvement with the National Trust, Imperial Cancer Research Fund and Marie Curie Cancer Care.</p>
<p><i>Andy Royse</i> Now an engineer, Andy first sailed with the OYC in 1995 as a young crew member and has been involved ever since. He was our first Youth Trustee, when he was aged under 25. He sails as a second mate.</p>	
	<p><i>Yvonne Taylor</i> Yvonne runs an RYA training centre, KTY Yachts, and takes an interest in the training of our staff and volunteers and in safety standards on board our vessel. She sails in <i>John Laing</i> as a relief skipper.</p>
<p><i>Caroline White</i> Caroline first sailed with OYC as a young crew member in 1983. A qualified fundraiser, she also looks after the charity's marketing and communications, and sails in <i>John Laing</i> as a first mate.</p>	

WHAT OUR CUSTOMERS AND CREW SAY ABOUT OYT SOUTH

NAOMI HOUSE CHILDREN'S HOSPICE organises voyages for brothers and sisters of life-limited children: "Having a brother or sister with a life limiting condition puts [these young people] in a more vulnerable position than their peers. They often don't get the same opportunities as their friends due to the complex needs of their sibling, so having this chance to have a week away with other young people in similar situations can relieve the isolation they may feel, give them time to share their experiences and to make new friends. A week on board the *John Laing* is so much more than a holiday. It is a chance for these young people to have a week dedicated to them. Over the week you can see confidences building as they make friends and learn new skills. They are given



the freedom to have fun without feeling guilty and to have a break from the often caring role they take on at home. We at Naomi House feel that this voyage is an important part of the support we offer our siblings and that the OYT staff and organisation provide an excellent opportunity for our young people." **Jenny Astall, Sibling Support Worker, Naomi House Children's Hospice**

The **WHEATSHEAF TRUST** works with a wide variety of people in Southampton, including young people not in education, training or employment. "Sail Training is one of the most powerful tools we have found for teaching people self-confidence, teamwork, trust and the ability to take responsibility – which are exactly the qualities employers look for." **Jonathan Cheshire, Chief Executive, the Wheatsheaf Trust.**

The **RUSTHALL COMMUNITY AND YOUTH PROJECT** provided crew for the ASTO Solent race: "With the outstanding efforts of all the crew we had a really good time and a great race! It was quite clear, when chatting to quite a few adults at the moorings and at the party, that the *John Laing* is held in high affection. It certainly is one of the reasons I am glad we found you!" **Mike, group leader.**



The **FOYER FEDERATION** develops and encourages new approaches to supporting young people at risk as they make their transition to adult independence. “As occurs often with these trips, some of the effects of their experience are immediate and others only reveal themselves much, much later. Sometimes benefits are hard to measure in “hard outcomes”. But it has had a huge impact on them.” *Trevor Martin, Senior Training & Employment Advisor, Plymouth Foyer*



The **DORSET OFFSHORE CHALLENGE** project mixes young people who have recently joined the army with civilian youngsters from disadvantaged backgrounds: “The crew all acquitted themselves well, with evident levels of enthusiasm, inter-personal skills and a sense of humour. The personal motivation levels of the military personnel and their ability to follow instructions and work relatively unsupervised set a useful example to their civilian counterparts...Most of the crew have expressed a desire to take part in future Adventurous Sail Training activities, which should be encouraged. Whilst the military personnel will have such further opportunities, these will be tempered by their forthcoming operational deployments. All will deploy to the frontline in the near future.” *Steve Lacey, Senior Youth Worker, Dorset CC*



“What did the voyage give me? I suppose that’s quite hard to say, considering what we achieved over the week. You could say that I gained new skills, or gave me an unforgettable experience. I have discovered a newfound sense of confidence in myself, and it has changed my perspective on the world. Now I see things through a brighter spectrum, and I can say “At least you’ve had a shower today!” or “Your bedroom is luxurious; there are not ten other people in it!” Despite all the hardships of the week, I enjoyed it immensely, and took away much more than I brought. Thank you so much, Ocean Youth Trust South, for an amazing week.” *Kizzie, 13, winner of the Chris Ellis Award for the best account of a voyage in 2009.*

“On the *John Laing* I enjoy every last second. Whatever we are doing, whether I’m helming, lookout, cooking, relaxing, learning, drills, and many, many more, I am ALWAYS living life to the max.” *David, 15, runner-up, Chris Ellis Award.*



“I really enjoyed my time on the *John Laing* and was amazed how much I had learnt about sailing by the end of the voyage. I am really proud of earning my Start Yachting Certificate...The sea staff were great and everyone made me feel really welcome. Everyone was really understanding about my back brace which helped me to feel more confident about meeting new people and by the end of the trip I had definitely decided that my brace couldn't stop me doing what I wanted to! It was a great experience and I feel really privileged to have it. I've definitely caught the sailing bug!” **Ro, 14, runner-up, Chris Ellis Award.**

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL sponsored places for numbers of local young people nominated by other charities, social workers and youth workers in the county. One of them was **Kyle, 13**: “The 5 greats: great skipper, great mates, great crew, great fun, great voyage. And I made great food!”

The **ROTARY CLUB of HITCHIN TILEHOUSE** sponsors voyages for young carers: “The difference that a trip like this makes to these youngsters is wonderful to see. They come from a wide range of backgrounds, but all of them help to look after an ill or disabled sibling or parent. They don't have much time to do the things that other young people do...The team spirit that this trip generates is a joy to see: getting their hands dirty, cooking in the ship's galley or doing night watch gives them a real feel-good factor. They push themselves to limits they didn't know they had.”
Sue Manning, Youth Activities Chair



TOYNBEE HALL, a Tower Hamlets-based charity, ran three full voyages as part of the year-long Aspire Project, for disengaged young people who are not getting the full benefits of formal schooling. “Thanks so much to the inspirational skipper and his crew” **Hugh, group leader.** “A fantastic week...Hard work but well worth the time!”
Charlie, group leader.

ADVENTURE UNDER SAIL ON BOARD *JOHN LAING* IS AN IDEAL ENVIRONMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE BECAUSE:

- It takes young people right out of their normal environment and away from TV, computer games and mobile phones.
- It's an excellent way of building confidence, developing character and promoting a sense of responsibility.
- Living and working with others in a confined space places a high priority on tolerance and teamwork.
- *John Laing* is an ideal size for everyone on board to get to know each other, and for the staff to work with each individual young person to ensure they get the most out of the experience.



WHAT DO YOUNG PEOPLE GET OUT OF SAILING WITH OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH?

- An OYT South voyage is a fantastic fun working holiday during which people will learn new skills, make friends and return with a real sense of achievement.
- Everyone who sails with us is challenged to achieve something they never believed they would be able to do.
- *John Laing* carries no passengers - everyone on board plays a full part in every aspect of the voyage.
- Opportunities to learn range from seamanship and navigation to cooking and general life skills.
- Our sea staff make every crew member a promise: whatever energy and enthusiasm you put into the voyage, we will match and beat it.
- Crew members can work for recognised qualifications such as the RYA Competent Crew or Start Yachting certificates, or the residential element of the Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award.
- All crew members get a voyage certificate to put in their Record of Achievement.
- OYT South has a club ethos and atmosphere - we encourage crew members to stay involved, help at refits, earn qualifications, train as sea staff, and be part of the team.



WHO CAN SAIL WITH OYT SOUTH?



We aim to encourage anyone aged 12-25 who wants to sail with us, from the widest possible range of backgrounds, including those with no sailing experience as well as keen and competent sailors. We take roughly equal numbers of girls and boys. Some sail as part of a group, with a group leader if required; others book as individuals and come along to make new friends.

Although *John Laing* is not specially adapted for people with disabilities, young people with a range of physical and learning difficulties have sailed with us successfully.

We do run occasional adult voyages, which may include sponsors, prospective volunteer sea staff, other supporters who want to learn more about our work, or corporate team-building events. Adult voyages can also be run for exactly the same purposes as most youth voyages: to develop confidence, broaden horizons and raise aspirations for people who have had limited opportunities in life.

WHAT'S THE BOAT LIKE?

John Laing is a 72-foot steel ketch with berths for twelve crew (young people / group leaders) and six adult sea staff. The boat was designed especially for sail training, so that young people really can do everything on board. She is immensely safe and strong - she's been round the world, and spent several months in the Antarctic. Regular inspections ensure that she conforms to all required safety standards.



The layout below decks is arranged so that crew and staff eat together, and so



that everyone can gather to share in making plans and decisions. This is not a boat where the skipper determines what will happen and then simply gives orders to the crew. We aim to explain, discuss and, where possible, offer choices.

WHO RUNS THE VOYAGES?



We have a highly-qualified professional staff skipper, and a staff bosun responsible for boat maintenance. In addition, we carry at least three volunteer sea staff on every voyage. All our staff, both professionals and volunteers, possess Royal Yachting Association qualifications appropriate to their level of responsibility, and have passed a rigorous OYT South assessment at the appropriate level.

As well as sailing ability, all our staff are trained and assessed on their suitability for working with young people. We check all staff with the Criminal Records Bureau. We aim to have both male and female staff on every voyage.

We encourage keen and competent crew members to train as sea staff - those over sixteen can sail as volunteer relief bosuns, and those over the age of eighteen can be assessed on their ability to sail as watch leaders.

A FEW KEY POINTS:

- OYT South voyages really are open to anyone: though the majority of voyages are booked for groups of disadvantaged young people, we have a number of places available each year for young people from more fortunate backgrounds – for DoE Award voyages, leadership training or activity holidays.
- We do not require any previous sailing experience.
- A staff : crew ratio of almost 1 : 2 allows for a lot of individual attention.
- We involve the crew in decisions about the voyage - what we do, where we go and how we get there.
- We aim to give the crew a lot of responsibility - by the end of the voyage, a good crew can be effectively running the boat.
- Our style is deliberately very relaxed and informal - Libby Purves described us in the Times as "the larkiest of sail training organisations."



THE NEW BOAT PROJECT

Ocean Youth Trust South is planning for the long-term replacement of *John Laing*, due to the cost and workload of maintaining an ageing steel vessel, as well as the need to look at more modern accommodation and other features to meet the needs and expectations of our clients.

The Trust has engaged Owen Clarke Design to produce a concept design for our new boat. Owen Clarke Design has an international reputation for high performance yacht design, working with leading ocean racers such as Ellen Macarthur and Mike Golding. But just as importantly, Merfyn Owen, as a former Ocean Youth Club skipper, has a deep commitment to sail training, and shares OYT South's passionate desire to create a new boat that can offer a superb sailing experience to young people from all backgrounds.

The new boat will be a ketch, around 75 feet long, with accommodation for 20 people. A good deal of detailed work was done on the design in 2009, and now the challenge is to put the funding together. The Trust has already secured a substantial restricted donation to get the project underway, but will be seeking major sponsors, including a name sponsor, for the new vessel. This will be a real challenge in the current economic climate but we are aiming to make as much progress as we can.

OYT South and Owen Clarke Design are hoping that this project can set the standard for modern sail training vessels for years to come.

PATRONS

OYT South's longstanding Patron is **Lord Iliffe**, who is a keen yachtsman.

The Trust has also recruited three Appeal Patrons, to help with the New Boat Project: the journalist and broadcaster, **David Dimpleby**, a lifelong sailing enthusiast; the yachtsman **Mike Golding**, once an Ocean Youth Club watch leader, now one of the finest British sailors of his generation (he is one of the few yachtsmen to have raced round the world non-stop in both directions; he held the solo record for sailing round the world westabout - the most challenging direction for circumnavigation - between 1994 and 2000; and he is notable for his courageous rescue of fellow sailor Alex Thompson in the Southern Ocean during the 2006 Velux 5 Oceans yacht race); and **Andy Cassell**, Paralympic sailing gold medallist as well as a champion in numerous able-bodied sailing events, and now director of Ratsey & Laphorn Sailmakers. OYT South hopes to attract additional Appeal Patrons over the coming year.

DONATIONS AND SUPPORT

Ocean Youth Trust South is enormously grateful for the donations of funds or equipment we receive from many individuals and organisations, as well as many contributions in the form of time and expertise. Without this support, we would not be able to keep our vessel, *John Laing*, in such good condition, and offer so many opportunities for young people from different backgrounds.

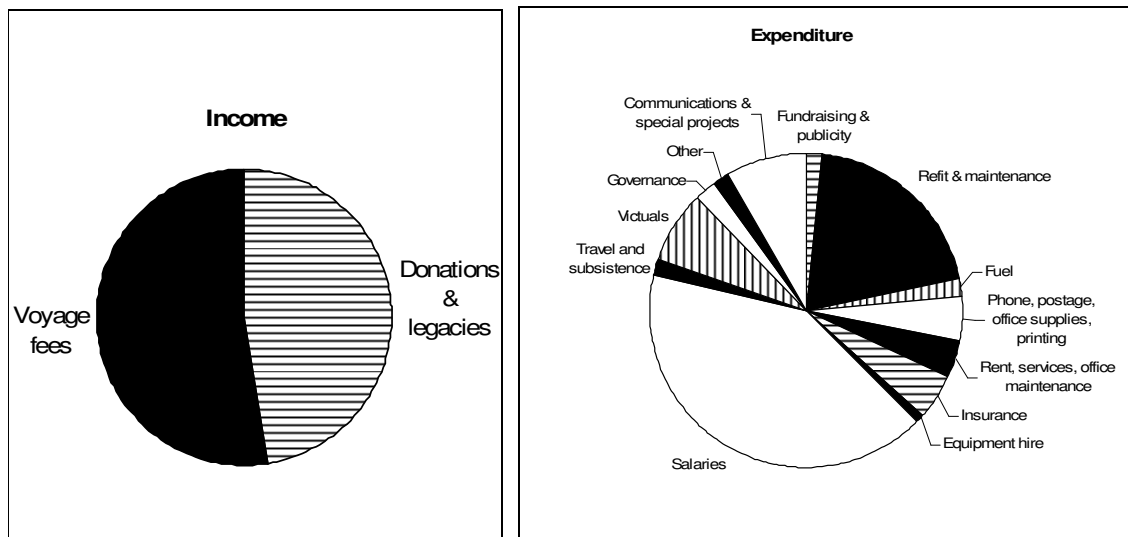
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- * Association of Sail Training Organisations (ASTO) * Battsborough Charitable Trust *
- * Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation * Mark Boggis * Nicholas Bonham * BVT Surface Fleet Limited * Caroline Cahill * Peter Cardy * CHASE Children's Hospice *
- * Chemring Marine Ltd * BBC Children in Need * CHK Charities Ltd *
- * Civil Service Sailing Association * Cleghorn Waring * Comic Relief *
- * Contact Marine * Russell Cook * Revd. C Courtauld * Cover to Cover * Nic Crawford *
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- * Greendale Foundation * Hamble Yacht Services * Hampshire County Council *
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- * Naomi House Children's Hospice * Navimo UK * Giles Nicklin * Ocean Safety *
- * Hamish Oliphant * OYT South Isle of Wight support group *
- * OYT South West Sussex support group * Patrick Frost Foundation * P D Heating *
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- * SS Uganda Trust * Jeremy Snead * Peter & Nicola Solly * Sydney Black Charitable Trust *
- * Tall Ships Youth Trust * TMI Foundation * John Trembath *
- * TS Hornet Sea Cadet Corps, Gosport * James Turner * J M Tyler * Upham Church *
- * Veryan Ltd * Viking * Graham Watson * L E West * Phil Whiffing *
- * Whirlwind Charitable Trust * C H White *
- * Worshipful Company of Carmen Benevolent Trust * Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths *
- * Worshipful Company of Shipwrights *

Plus other generous donors who prefer to remain anonymous.

FINANCE AND FUNDING

The cost of running OYT South is currently just over £250,000 p.a. These charts give an indication of the breakdown of income and expenditure:



Berth sales to individuals and youth groups should deliver around half our funds (52.8% in 2009), whilst the remainder has to be raised from sponsorship, grants and donations. This means that every berth sold has a subsidy for young people of approximately 50%, compared with what it would cost without donations.

Our key funding needs fall into three areas:

Team costs: As the chart shows, our staff (two highly trained professionals on the boat and two in the office) are our biggest expense, at £100,664 last year. No-one is paid more than £30,000, and they all put in very long hours and immense commitment. We are only able to keep staffing costs down at this level because of the huge input from our volunteers.

Vessel refit, maintenance and equipment: This cost £48,820 last year, keeping *John Laing* in good condition, helping to prolong her working life, and ensuring we meet or exceed all required safety standards. 572 days' volunteer labour at refit, plus more in-season, provided a tremendous saving.

Bursaries for young people who cannot afford to sail: OYT South is committed to keeping our voyages accessible to young people from disadvantaged backgrounds who cannot afford to sail, even with the basic 50% subsidy. A donation of just £140 provides a day at sea for a young person as well as making a contribution to the costs of running the voyage. £500 pays for a full voyage for one young crew member.

We are also working to build up a separate fund for the eventual replacement of our vessel.

We aim to ensure that our sponsors and donors are kept in touch with our work, and have a chance to see where their money goes and to understand the difference that their support makes. This can include day sails or longer voyages on board *John Laing*, or a chance to nominate young people to sail with us. We are fortunate in having excellent relationships with key donors. Some examples:

	<p><i>"Supporting OYT South provides us with unique opportunities. Not only by providing team building events for employees, but more importantly to support children from disadvantaged backgrounds and encourage the next generation of sailors - our future!"</i></p>
 Marina Developments Ltd	<p><i>"For over 20 years MDL have enjoyed working closely with OYT South where each year we have provided the opportunity of taking deserving youngsters to sea aboard John Laing. We very much value our special working relationship with OYT South as they understand our goals and tick every box in terms of creating opportunities for individuals to experience new challenges and to shine as part of a crew. For many, these experiences with OYT South are life changing and become memories to be cherished."</i></p>
	<p><i>"Raymarine is proud to support Ocean Youth Trust South in its work to expand the horizons of today's young adults - it's a great way to help them recognise both their own potential and that of others in the big wide world out there."</i></p>
	<p><i>"TMI is proud to have supported OYT South for many years. We have seen the real difference the charity's work has made to the lives of deserving young people, encouraging them to stretch their horizons so that they are better equipped to meet the challenges of tomorrow's business world. Our partnership with OYT South is ideally aligned with our business mission to inspire change in individuals, to engage with the aims of their organization and to give people the skills, tools and desire to make a difference in whatever job they do."</i></p>
	<p><i>"We are proud to support the Ocean Youth Trust in the development of young people from all walks of life both as individuals and through the thrills of working as a team in a challenging environment. Such experiences will give them a great start in life and, hopefully, a love of the sea and all things maritime."</i></p>

96.1% of our expenditure in 2008-9 went on the direct delivery of our charitable services.

If you are interested in supporting our work, helping with the upkeep of our vessel, or funding a deserving young person who could not otherwise afford to sail, please contact our office on 02392 602278, or email office@oytsouth.org.

VOLUNTEER SUPPORT

Ocean Youth Trust South is dependent upon the support of volunteers, both ashore and on board *John Laing*.

1) On board *John Laing*

We need at least three adult volunteers on every voyage, with the ability and enthusiasm to help young crew members get involved in every aspect of the voyage. We have roles for those with limited sailing experience, as well as for highly-skilled first mates and relief skippers.

All sea staff must undergo Criminal Records Bureau checks and have suitable RYA qualifications before they can sail. You will then undergo an OYT South assessment, which tests for appropriate skills in both seamanship and youth work, as well as allowing you to familiarise yourself with our boat and with OYT South routines. As a member of our sea staff, there are many opportunities to develop skills and gain RYA qualifications (often at discounted rates).

Our sea staff come from a wide range of backgrounds. The best young crew members are invited back to train as a bosun or watch leader. Other sea staff range from students to retired people. Some work professionally with young people, or in the sailing industry; others have backgrounds entirely unrelated to their role with OYT South.

2) Shorebased support (groups and individuals)

These supporters provide essential back up to our work at sea. Those who live near the ports we visit can meet the boat when she comes in, help with shopping, or organise entertainment for a day in harbour. Some shore volunteers help with repairs and maintenance – whether as highly skilled engineers or riggers, or just a willing pair of hands. Others help to raise money, to buy equipment on board or to sponsor deserving local youngsters who could not otherwise afford to sail. You might make contact with or even give talks to local schools, youth clubs and other organisations, or visit a new group shortly before they sail to make sure they are fully prepared and know what to expect.

If you would like more information about supporting OYT South, please look at our website: www.oytsouth.org, or contact the office on 02392 602278.

To become a member of OYT South, complete the forms on the following pages and return them to our office.



Gift Aid Declaration

By using the Gift Aid Donation scheme provided by the Inland Revenue, OYT South will be able to reclaim tax at the basic rate on your donation at no cost to you.

Please treat all donations I have made to Ocean Youth Trust South (charity registration no. 1079959) since 6 April 2000, and all donations I make hereafter, as Gift Aid donations for income tax purposes. I declare that I am a UK taxpayer and the tax I pay is equal to or more than the tax OYT South will reclaim on my donation. I will notify you if this ceases to be true.

Signature of donor **Date**

Donors are required to provide the following information:

Title.....**Forename(s)**.....

Surname.....

Address.....

Post Code.....

Please complete the section below should you wish to make regular monthly, quarterly or annual donations.

Name and full address of your bank/ building society:

To The Manager

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Post code:

Please pay Lloyds TSB Bank, 4 Castle Street, Christchurch, Dorset, BH23 1DU

For the credit of: Ocean Youth Trust South, Sort Code 30-92-02, Account 00681331

Please debit my account as detailed below, until further notice

Sort Code: /..... /..... Account Number

Name(s) on your account:

£.....:.....monthly / quarterly / annually (delete as applicable)

Commencing on (date).....

Signature.....Date.....

Please return to: **Ocean Youth Trust South,**
8 North Meadow, Weevil Lane, Gosport, Hampshire, PO12 1BP
Tel: 02392 602278 Email: office@oytsouth.org

Membership Application



Title.....Forename.....Surname.....
Address.....
.....
County.....Post Code.....
Tel Day.....Tel Evening.....
Email.....

I wish to pay by:- Annual standing order / Cheque / Card annually (*delete as applicable*)

Adult / Friends (Shore member) £36 p.a. (Members under 25: £18 p.a.)
Sailing Members £136 p.a. (Recommended)
£106 p.a. (Minimum)

Sailing members can choose to pay the recommended OR minimum donation, or something in between, depending on personal circumstances and the amount of sailing you plan to do with OYT South.

Standing Order Mandate

Name and full address of your bank/ building society:

To The Manager
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Post code:

Please pay: Lloyds TSB Bank, 4 Castle Street, Christchurch, Dorset, BH23 1DU

For the credit of: Ocean Youth Trust South, Sort Code 30-92-02, Account 00681331

Please debit my account as detailed below, until further notice

Sort Code: /..... /..... Account Number

Name(s) on your account:

£.....:..... annually, on 1 February.

Signature.....Date.....

Gift Aid Declaration: Please treat all donations I have made to Ocean Youth Trust South (charity registration no 1079959) since 6 April 2000, and all donations I make hereafter, as Gift Aid donations for income tax purposes. I declare that I am a UK taxpayer and the tax I pay is equal to or more than the tax OYT South will reclaim on my donation. I will notify you if this ceases to be true.

Signatures (s).....Date.....

.....Date.....

Please return to: **Ocean Youth Trust South,**
8 North Meadow, Weevil Lane, Gosport, Hampshire, PO12 1BP
Tel: 02392 602278 Email: office@oytsouth.org

Charity Registration No. 1079959
Company Registration No. 3898084

OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH
(A company limited by guarantee)
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2009

OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity name	Ocean Youth Trust South
Charity registration number	1079959
Company registration number	3898084
Principal office	8 North Meadow Weevil Lane Gosport Hampshire PO12 1BP
Registered office	8 North Meadow Weevil Lane Gosport Hampshire PO12 1BP
Trustees	Brian Eyres Yvonne Taylor Caroline White Andy Royse Steve Lacey Frederick J Cole Fiona Pankhurst Ben Martin Richard Griffiths (Elected 11 October 2009) Mike Bowles (Elected 11 October 2009)
Accountants	CW Fellowes Limited Carnac Place Cams Hall Estate Fareham Hampshire PO16 8UY

OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

TRUSTEE REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2009

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 October 2009.

Structure, governance and management

The Trustees who served during the year were:

Brian Eyres

Yvonne Taylor

Caroline White

Andy Royse

Steve Lacey

Frederick J Cole

Fiona Pankhurst

Ben Martin

Richard Griffiths

(Elected 11 October 2009)

Mike Bowles

(Elected 11 October 2009)

The Trust has occasion to employ Caroline White in her capacity as a freelance fundraiser and charity consultant. Any sums paid to Ms White are consistent with the commercial worth of her efforts. All of the Trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

Ocean Youth Trust South is a company limited by guarantee, constituted by the Memorandum and Articles of Association. It is a registered charity, number 1079959. The charity is governed by a management committee drawn from individuals elected at an annual general meeting (the Trustees).

Risk factors

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

The reserves policy detailed on page 3 provides a buffer to allow for variations in fundraising in-year. Income from voyage deposits and payments are not spent until after each voyage has taken place, ensuring the Trust does not over-commit itself in the event of having to refund a voyage. Considerable effort is expended in maintaining *John Laing* to avoid cancellation of voyages due to defects which would lead to a loss of income. Similarly the staff, Trustees and volunteers all work hard to optimise voyage experiences for young people to encourage future bookings by those young people and groups, thus maintaining the Trust's income streams.

Objectives and activities

Ocean Youth Trust South is a registered charity established to provide adventure sailing and personal development opportunities to young people aged 12-25. The charity offers 'Adventure Under Sail' with voyages of 2-12 days' duration aboard the Trust's 72ft sail training vessel *John Laing*.

Achievements and performance

Ocean Youth Trust South has continued to offer the experience of 'Adventure Under Sail' to young people. During the season *John Laing* completed a mixed programme which ranged from weekend voyages in the Solent to longer Channel cruises as well as a series of voyages in the Baltic, visiting Germany, Poland, Russia, Finland and Lithuania.

Around 500 young people sail with us each year, from a tremendous variety of backgrounds. They range from keen young sailors and high achievers, through mainstream schools and youth clubs, to young people who may be exceptionally disadvantaged or vulnerable.

OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

TRUSTEE REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2009

By careful risk assessment, considering the requirements of each individual crew member, and working closely in partnership with the organisations which refer young people to OYT South to set targets and priorities, we are able to tailor each voyage to the specific needs of those on board. One voyage might focus on building confidence, fun and friendship for children who have been through bereavement; the next might concentrate on developing skills and personal and social qualities for young people not in education, training or employment; while a third voyage could be designed to stretch and challenge high achievers, drawing out their leadership potential.

The relationships we have with the organisations – youth groups, charities, mainstream and special schools and many more – which send young people to sail with us form one of OYT South's greatest strengths. We are delighted that so many groups return to sail with us year after year and express such high levels of satisfaction with our voyages and with the lasting impact they see on the young people involved. With an exceptionally strong core of repeat bookings, plus a steady stream of new clients, we were able to fill 95% of berths in 2009.

We are also proud of the work we have done to open up our voyages to increasing numbers of people from the most disadvantaged backgrounds. All prices on voyages for young people are subsidised by around 50% to keep them as affordable as possible. In addition, 138 young people received further special bursaries to a total of £29,233, making berths available to individuals who would never otherwise have been able to sail.

Ocean Youth Trust South relies on an army of volunteers. Without these we would not be able to operate. The winter refit of *John Laing* from November 2008 to March 2009 saw 55 volunteers give 572 work days to the project. These volunteers range from those who have only their time and enthusiasm to offer, through to highly skilled engineers or joiners. Whatever their abilities, they are all invaluable to the completion of a successful refit.

Sixty-two volunteers sailed as sea staff in 2009. The Trust has always seen the training of sea staff as important. The 2009 training weekend for volunteers saw 54 people gain certification ranging from Basic Food Hygiene to Radar or Sea Survival.

Ocean Youth Trust South is also greatly helped by the work of many volunteers ashore who raise money, seek donations in kind and organise groups of young people to sail. Some of these volunteers are members of our support groups based in West Sussex and the Isle of Wight.

The operation of the Trust is also greatly helped by the dedication, commitment and skill provided by our team of staff, for whom this has been a transition year, with greater responsibilities and new roles in the wake of the retirement of our long-serving General Manager, David Salmon, to whom we owe gratitude for his ten years with the charity. At the end of 2009 we also said goodbye to Liz Key, our staff bosun for the last two years. We wish David all the best in his retirement, and good luck to Liz as she moves on to a more senior role in sail training. Mark Todd, our Staff Skipper since 2001, has been promoted to Operations Manager, with Office Manager Sally Croly also taking on additional duties. On the boat, James Boyce has stepped up to become our main Staff Skipper, and has been joined by a new Staff Bosun, Kirsten Mackay.

None of OYT South's activities would be possible without all those individuals and organisations who have given money, services or donations in kind to support our charitable work, and we are extremely grateful to everyone who has supported us in the last year.

Financial review

The results for the period and financial position of the company are as shown in the annexed financial statements which, in the opinion of the Trustees, show a satisfactory result with end year cash funds of £114,363 (2008: £109,321).

OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

TRUSTEE REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2009

Total income for the year was £258,021 (2008: £254,674) with grants and donations received accounting for £121,591 (2008: £133,394).

The Trustees are pleased to report that the Trust remains free of all loans.

The total reserves stand at £138,498 (2008: £124,913) of which £29,550 (2008: £30,423) is the net book value of assets. Free reserves stand at £108,949 (2008: £94,490).

The Trustees are reasonably confident that the Trust has sufficient funds to run the 2010 sailing season, subject to a continued healthy level of berth bookings. A business plan has been drawn up to concentrate resources on raising additional funds for the 2010 and 2011 seasons as well as both capital and through life costs of a potential new boat.

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the Charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six months' expenditure. The Trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the Charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

Plans for the future

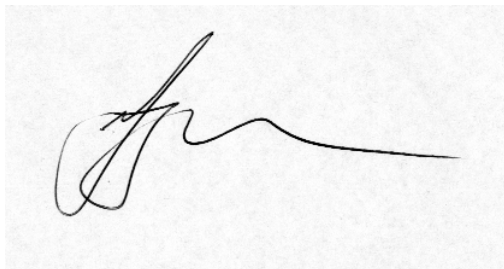
With the continued commitment and enthusiasm of all Ocean Youth Trust South's supporters, the trustees look forward to a successful year in 2010-11.

The major event of the year is the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Ocean Youth Club in 1960. OYT South's main celebration will take place in Portsmouth on 16th October 2010, but there will also be other events through the year, including one hosted by our Isle of Wight Support Group on 20th April 2010. We look forward to seeing many friends who have been involved with the charity during the course of our 50-year history.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'F. Cole', is written on a light-colored, textured background. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Frederick J. Cole, Trustee

Dated: 7 April 2010

OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 October 2009 set out on pages 5 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act,
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees, concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement

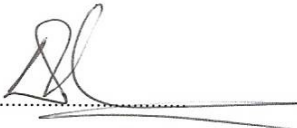
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have 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.



Peter Blades FCA
CW Fellowes Limited
Chartered Accountants

Carnac Place
Cams Hall Estate
Fareham
Hampshire
PO16 8UY

Date: 19 April 2010

OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2009

		Unrestricted funds	Total Funds 2009	Total funds 2008
	Note	£	£	£
Incoming resources				
Incoming resources from generated funds				
Voluntary income	2	121,591	121,591	133,394
Investment income	3	288	288	2,241
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4	<u>136,142</u>	<u>136,142</u>	<u>119,039</u>
Total incoming resources		<u>258,021</u>	<u>258,021</u>	<u>254,674</u>
Resources expended				
Costs of generating funds				
Costs of generating voluntary income	5	4,275	4,275	6,526
Charitable activities	5	234,841	234,841	256,331
Governance costs	5	<u>5,320</u>	<u>5,320</u>	<u>5,390</u>
Total resources expended		<u>244,436</u>	<u>244,436</u>	<u>268,247</u>
Net movements in funds		13,585	13,585	(13,573)
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>124,913</u>	<u>124,913</u>	<u>138,486</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>138,498</u>	<u>138,498</u>	<u>124,913</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 12 form an integral part of these financial statements.

OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2009

		2009		2008	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		29,550		30,423
Current assets					
Debtors	11	31,692		55,260	
Cash at bank and in hand		114,363		109,321	
		<u>146,055</u>		<u>164,581</u>	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(37,106)</u>		<u>(70,091)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>108,949</u>		<u>94,490</u>
Net assets			<u>138,499</u>		<u>124,913</u>
The funds of the charity:					
Unrestricted funds					
Unrestricted income funds			138,498		124,913
Total charity funds			<u>138,498</u>		<u>124,913</u>

For the financial year ended 31 October 2009, the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 471(1) of the Companies Act 2006; and no notice has been deposited under section 476(1) requesting an audit. The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the year and of its income and expenditure for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of section 394 and which otherwise comply with the Companies Act 2006, so far as applicable to the charity.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006 and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

Approved by the Board on 7 April 2010 and signed on its behalf by:



Frederick J Cole, Trustee
Company registration number: 3898084

The notes on pages 7 to 12 form an integral part of these financial statements.

OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2009

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005)", issued in March 2005, the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) and the Companies Act 2006.

Fund accounting policy

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Further details of each fund are disclosed in note 15.

Incoming resources

Donations are recognised where there is entitlement, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Deferred income represents amounts received for future periods and is released to incoming resources in the period for which it has been received. Such income is only deferred when:

- The donor specifies that the donation must only be used in future accounting periods; or
- The donor has imposed conditions which must be met before the charity has unconditional entitlement.

Investment income is recognised on a receivable basis.

Income from charitable activities includes income recognised as earned (as the related goods or services are provided) under contract.

Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Costs of generating funds are the costs associated with attracting voluntary income.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs

Governance costs include costs of the preparation and examination of the statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and the cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2009

Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

Fixed assets

Fixed assets are initially recorded at cost.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Plant and machinery	written down to residual value
Sailing vessel	written down to residual value
Fixtures, fittings & equipment	15% or 33% straight line

Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the closing rates at the balance sheet date and the exchange differences are included in the statement of financial activities.

Operating leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged in the statement of financial activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2009

2 Voluntary income

	Unrestricted funds	Total Funds 2009	Total funds 2008
	£	£	£
Donations and legacies			
Donations	121,591	121,591	133,394

3 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds	Total Funds 2009	Total funds 2008
	£	£	£
Interest receivable	288	288	2,241

4 Incoming resources from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Total Funds 2009	Total funds 2008
	£	£	£
Sailing			
Subscriptions	180	180	560
Voyage fees	135,962	135,962	118,479
	<u>136,142</u>	<u>136,142</u>	<u>119,039</u>

OCEAN YOUTH TRUST SOUTH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2009

5 Total resources expended

	Donations and legacies	Sailing	Governance	Total	2008
	£	£	£	£	£
Direct costs					
Fundraising costs	4,140	-	-	4,140	6,134
Publicity costs	135	-	-	135	392
Employment costs	-	71,500	-	71,500	59,940
Yacht services	-	16,488	-	16,488	13,705
Equipment expensed	-	3,910	-	3,910	5,556
Refit	-	28,422	-	28,422	46,255
Ship telephone	-	1,573	-	1,573	1,862
Printing, posting and stationery	-	1,725	-	1,725	258
Equipment hire	-	1,702	-	1,702	-
Training	-	238	-	238	1,473
Victuals	-	18,465	-	18,465	18,400
Fuel	-	4,872	-	4,872	3,346
Travel and subsistence	-	4,268	-	4,268	4,449
Licences and insurance	-	11,450	-	11,450	8,107
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	-	872	-	872	1,116
	4,275	165,485	-	169,760	170,993
Support costs					
Employment costs	-	29,164	-	29,164	49,798
Rent	-	9,557	-	9,557	9,987
Insurance	-	-	-	-	250
Repairs and maintenance	-	97	-	97	462
Telephone and fax	-	1,581	-	1,581	1,584
Office supplies	-	3,981	-	3,981	2,063
Printing, posting and stationery	-	1,695	-	1,695	4,010
Subscriptions and donations	-	932	-	932	100
Equipment hire	-	-	-	-	903
Sundry and other costs	-	92	-	92	991
Accountancy fees	-	-	5,320	5,320	3,950
Legal fees	-	-	-	-	1,440
Communications & special projects	-	20,700	-	20,700	19,958
Bank charges	-	1,557	-	1,557	1,585
Interest payable	-	-	-	-	105
Foreign exchange costs	-	-	-	-	68
	-	69,356	5,320	74,676	97,254
	4,275	234,841	5,320	244,436	268,247

6 Trustees' remuneration and expenses

With the exception of Caroline White, no trustee received any remuneration or expenses in the year for their services. Caroline White was remunerated for her role in respect of freelance fundraising and charity consultancy, to the value of £24,840 (2008 - £24,350).

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7 Net income (expenditure)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging:

	2009 £	2008 £
Foreign currency (gains)/losses	-	68
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	872	1,116
	<u>872</u>	<u>1,116</u>

8 Employees' remuneration

The average number of persons employed by the charity (including trustees) during the year was as follows:

	2009 No.	2008 No.
Charitable activities	5	5
	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

The aggregate payroll costs of these persons was as follows:

	2009 £	2008 £
Wages and salaries	93,983	102,296
Social security	6,681	7,442
	<u>100,664</u>	<u>109,738</u>

There were no employees whose annual emoluments were £60,000 or more.

9 Taxation

The company is a registered charity and is, therefore, exempt from taxation.

10 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures, fittings & equipment £	Sailing vessel £	Total £
Cost				
As at 1 November 2008 and 31 October 2009	25,397	2,627	72,995	101,019
Depreciation				
At 1 November 2008	24,897	1,700	44,000	70,597
Charge for the year	-	872	-	872
As at 31 October 2009	24,897	2,572	44,000	71,469
Net book value				
As at 31 October 2009	<u>500</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>28,995</u>	<u>29,550</u>
As at 31 October 2008	<u>500</u>	<u>927</u>	<u>28,995</u>	<u>30,422</u>

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11 Debtors

	2009	2008
	£	£
Trade debtors	26,015	49,457
Other debtors	5,677	5,803
	31,692	55,260
	31,692	55,260

12 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2009	2008
	£	£
Trade creditors	3,955	5,933
Accruals and deferred income	33,151	64,158
	37,106	70,091
	37,106	70,091

13 Members' liability

The charity is a private company limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the members is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 towards the assets of the charity in the event of liquidation.

14 Operating lease commitments

As at 31 October 2009 the charity had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

Operating leases which expire:

	Land and buildings	
	2009	2008
	£	£
Within one year	6,500	6,500
	6,500	6,500

15 Analysis of funds

	At 1 November 2008	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 31 October 2009
	£	£	£	£
General Funds				
Unrestricted income fund	124,913	258,022	(244,436)	138,499
	124,913	258,022	(244,436)	138,499

16 Net assets by fund

	Unrestricted funds	Total funds 2009	Total funds 2008
	£	£	£
Tangible assets	29,550	29,550	30,423
Current assets	146,055	146,055	164,581
Creditors: Amounts falling due within 1 year	(37,106)	(37,106)	(70,091)
	138,499	138,499	124,913
	138,499	138,499	124,913



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