



Mutual Societies Annual Return Form (AR30)

For societies registered under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014

Society name:

Runcorn Linnets Football Club Limited

Important information you should read before completing this form

You must use this form if you are a:

- registered society (previously referred to as an 'industrial and provident society')
- co-operative society
- community benefit society

registered under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.

You must submit this form and the society's accounts within 7 months of the end of your financial year. Failure to submit is an offence for which the society may be prosecuted.

Please note:

- we have an information note that may assist you in completing this application
- any personal details you give on the form will be placed on the society's public file.
- it is important you give accurate and complete information and disclose all relevant information. If you do not, it may take us longer to process your annual return.

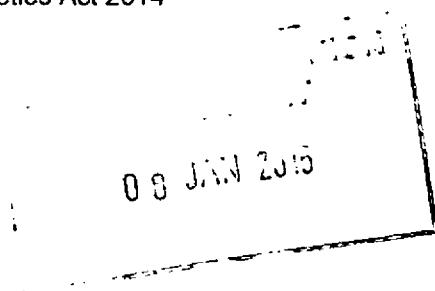
Please keep a copy of the form and supporting documents for future reference.

Terms in this form

'FCA', 'PRA', 'us' and 'we' refer to the Financial Conduct Authority or Prudential Regulation Authority.

'You' refers to the person signing the form on behalf of the society.

'The 2014 Act' is the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014





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Filling in the form

1 If you are using your computer to complete the form:

- use the TAB key to move from question to question and press SHIFT TAB to move back to the previous question; and
- print the completed form and arrange for it to be signed by all relevant individuals.

2 If you are filling in the form by hand:

- use black ink;
- write clearly; and
- arrange for it to be signed and dated by all relevant individuals.

3 If you make a mistake, cross it out and initial the changes; do not use correction fluid.

4 If you:

- leave a question blank;
- do not get the form signed; or
- do not attach the required supporting information

without telling us why, we will treat the application as incomplete. This will increase the time taken to assess your application.

5 If there is not enough space on the form, you may use separate sheets of paper. Clearly mark each separate sheet of paper with the relevant question number. Any separate sheets should be signed by the signatories to the form.

6 Email a scanned copy of the signed form and supporting documents to

mutualsannrts@fca.org.uk

or send it by post to:

Mutuals Team
Financial Conduct Authority
25 The North Colonnade
Canary Wharf
LONDON
E14 5HS

7. Please make sure you include:

- this form
- a set of printed accounts – signed by two members and the secretary (3 signatures in total)
- an audit report or accountant's report where required; and
- any supporting documents.

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Details of society

1.1 Details of the society

Register number	29719R
Registered office address	64 Grasmere Road Frodsham Cheshire
Postcode	WA6 7LQ

1.2 Year end date (dd/mm/yyyy)

See Note 1.2

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Committee of management

If you are a club you do not need to give a year of birth in questions 1.3-1.6.

The names of the members of the Committee at the date on which the return is signed should be entered below in BLOCK CAPITALS.

1.3 Details of Chairman

Name	Derek Greenwood
Address	64 Grasmere Road Frodsham Cheshire
Postcode	WA6 7LQ
Year of birth	1948
Business occupation and other directorships	Retired deputy head teacher

1.4 Details of Treasurer

Name	Philip Wainwright
Address	Flat 4 The Elms Weston Road Runcorn Cheshire
Postcode	WA7 4JS
Year of birth	1954
Business occupation and other directorships	Retired civil servant

1.5 Details of Secretary

Name	David Bettley
Address	107 Brookfield Avenue Runcom Cheshire
Postcode	WA7 5RF
Year of birth	1962
Business occupation and other directorships	Journalist (unemployed)

1.6 Details of Members of the Committee

Name	Address	Year of birth	Business occupation and other directorships
Mark Buckley	59 The Glen Palacefields Runcom WA7 2TB	1967	Driver
Ciaran Clotworthy	11 Oxford Road Runcom WA7 4NU	1972	Events manager
Robert Paul Eastup	25 Coniston Close Beechwood Runcom WA7 2QJ	1966	Managing director
Joseph Hedley Edwards	22 Malpas Road Runcom WA7 4AE	1939	Retired headteacher
John Greenhalgh	26 Paddock Rise Beechwood Runcom WA7 3HL	1970	Warehouse operative
Lynn Johnston	85 Heath Road Runcom WA7 5SZ	1956	Administration clerk

Please use separate sheets of paper if you need more space, following the instructions provided in section 5 above.

Please indicate how many separate sheets of paper you have used

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Please continue, answering all questions.

1.6 Details of Members of the Cosmmittee (continued)

Name	Address	Year of Birth	Business Occupation and other directorships
Robert Johnston	85 Heath Road Runcorn WA7 5SZ	1954	Maintenance person
Steve Pritchard	64 Waterside Drive Frodsham WA6 7NG	1970	Computer programmer
David Rose	1 Beech Road Town Hall Estate Runcorn WA7 5LL	1961	Unemployed
Reginald Woods	11 Hillside Avenue Runcorn WA7 4BW	1950	Retired HR admin clerk

1.7 Are any members of the society's committee disqualified as directors under the Company Director Disqualification Act 1986?

- No
 Yes

1.8 Does the society carry out any activity which is regulated under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000? (e.g. accepting deposits in a form other than withdrawable shares; offering insurance products; undertaking residential mortgage business). If 'yes' please state the society's Financial Services Register firm reference number

- No
 Yes

Financial Services Register firm reference number

1.9 Is the society a subsidiary of another society?

- No
 Yes

1.10 Does the society have one or more subsidiaries?

- No
 Yes

1.11 Is the society currently accepted by the HM Revenue and Customs as a charity for tax purposes?

- No
 Yes

Please confirm you have attached a copy of the letter from HM Revenue and Customs confirming charitable tax status:

- Yes

1.12 Is this society a charity registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR)?

- No
 Yes ▶ provide your Scottish Charity number below

1.13 Is the society registered with one of the following (please tick)?

- Homes and Communities Agency
 The Welsh Ministers
 Scottish Housing Regulator

If so, please provide your register number

All societies must answer the following questions:

- if a **bona fide co-operative society** go to question 1.14
- if **existing for the benefit of the community** go to question 1.19

Bona fide co-operative society

1.14 How did members benefit from the business, industry or trade of the society during the year?

1.15 Is membership of the society required to obtain the benefits offered by it?

- Yes
 No

1.16 In what way did members participate in an ongoing basis in the society's primary business during the year?

1.17 How did members democratically control the society?

1.18 How did the society use any surplus/profit?

If the society distributed the surplus/profit to members please explain how this was done.

Please use separate sheets of paper if you need more space (see section 5 above)

Please indicate how many separate sheets of paper you have used.

Continue to 2.1

Community benefit society

1.19 Who are the community the society benefited?

Town of Runcom in the borough of Halton

1.20 How did the society benefit that community during the year?

We provide playing opportunities as well as qualified coaching for 400 men, women, boys and girls in an economically and socially deprived area while also promoting development of coaches to boost health and well being. We draw average attendances of 330 to our first-team games, bringing people from diverse Runcom neighbourhoods together and with our existing and planned facilities have already significantly improved and are further enhancing the neighbourhood through regeneration of, and investment in, local playing fields.

We are in advanced negotiations with Halton Borough Council to take on a replacement lease to also include land surrounding our existing stadium. This would help us develop football pitches, provide a meeting room for our wide range of junior teams and a 3G pitch which would also be available to the community. We have been identified by Cheshire FA as No 1 priority for funding after earlier this year being voted the county's Charter Standard Club of the Year.

We have supported several local charities and good causes - including Runcom Foodbank, Cardiac Risk in the Young, Halton Haven, Cavendish Special School while also providing regular prizes to local organisations to assist with their fundraising.

1.21 How did the society use any surplus/profit?

We will use some of this towards the costs of the proposed facilities improvements outlined in 1.20 and also keep some money in reserve to help with the increased expense of competing in the Evo-Stik League, particularly relating to travelling, should the first team gain promotion to Step 4 of the National Game System (Evo-Stik Division One North or South) in summer 2015.

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Please indicate how many separate sheets of paper you have used.

nil

Continue to 2.1

2 Statistics

Account details

2.1 You must enter the figures below

See notes for help on items E-T. Enter NIL where applicable

A	Members at beginning of year	159
B	Members ceased during year	nil
C	Members admitted during year	nil
D	Members at end of year	159
E	Turnover for year	89232
F	Total of income and expenditure (receipts and payments added together)	170423
G	Net surplus/(deficit) for year	8041
H	Fixed assets	23735
I	Current assets	20274
J	Total assets (equal to amount in row O, below)	44009
K	Current liabilities	2905
L	Share capital	159
M	Long-term liabilities	nil
N	Reserves	40945
O	Total liabilities, share capital & reserves (K+L+M+N) (equal to amount in J above)	44009
All societies (excluding clubs) must complete boxes P-T		
P	Investments in other registered societies	
Q	Loans from members	
R	Loans from Employees' Superannuation Schemes	
S	Dividends on sales	
T	Share interest	

2.2 Names of subsidiaries as defined in sections 100 and 101 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014

None

2.3 Names of subsidiaries not dealt with in group accounts (if any) and reasons for exclusions (as approved by the FCA)

The society must have written authority from us to exclude a subsidiary from group accounts

None

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The audit

3.1 Type of audit used for the attached accounts.

If the society has used a full professional audit or an accountant's report then the report must be prepared by a registered auditor.

- Full professional audit ▶ Continue to section 4
- Accountant's report ▶ Complete questions 3.2 and 3.3
- Lay audit ▶ Complete questions 3.2 and 3.3
- Unaudited ▶ Complete questions 3.2 and 3.3

3.2 Do the society's registered rules allow the society not to undertake a full professional audit?

- No
- Yes

3.3 Has the membership passed at a general meeting a resolution allowing the society not to undertake a full professional audit for the year of account in question? (In accordance with section 84 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014)

- No
- Yes

4 Accounts and signature

Accounts

4.1 Date on which the accounts and balance sheet will be/were laid before the AGM (dd/mm/yyyy)

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4.2 Has your society produced accounts to the minimum standard required?

Yes ▶ you must confirm that you have attached the accounts and the audit/accountant's report bearing the original signatures of the auditor (if required by law), the secretary and the two committee members.

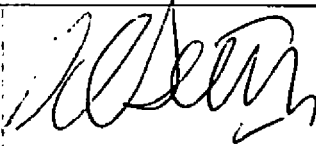
Attached

No ▶ you must produce accounts to the minimum standard required, see notes for details.

Signature – all societies to complete

4.3 The Secretary of the society must sign and date below

I certify that the information in this form is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name	David Bettley
Signature	
Phone number	01928 568061
Email	trust@runcomlinnetsfc.co.uk
Date	04/12/2014

RUNCORN LINNETS FC LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT 2014

REGISTRATION NUMBER: 29719R

08 JAN 2015

RUNCORN LINNETS FC LTD

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

At the time of my last report in November 2013, I was able to report on many different aspects of our development and I would like to again return to that this year. As we all know, the first team had an excellent season but unfortunately just missed out on promotion after a season long battle. To gain 95 points was a first class achievement and in many seasons that would have been enough to gain promotion but that was not to be and the summer months were spent looking at what we needed to maintain and strengthen our bid for the current season. The manager felt that we already had the nucleus of the squad in place and whole-sale changes would not be needed. He asked for everyone in the club to give an extra 10%. Everyone in a community club has a role to play from the management team right through to the fans. If we all pull together in the same direction then success will ultimately be ours.

We have been delighted to receive various accolades during the year – Cheshire FA awarded us as Charter Standard Club of the Year and the club was highly commended at the Halton Sports awards in September. Remember that we only returned to the town in 2010 so this is remarkable progress for the club as a whole.

The junior section of the club continues to grow at a rapid rate. The decision was taken this year to move towards a youth development policy and our youth team were accepted to play in the North West Youth Alliance. Much of the pre-season training was done jointly with the first team and we hope that this will pay dividends in years to come as the two managers remain in close touch about prospective players. With the integration of Halton Girls under the Linnetts umbrella, there are now 29 teams playing within the junior section. Although progress on signing the new lease has been slower than expected due to a number of minor issues, this has not prevented us from continuing our ongoing discussions with the facilities manager of the Football Association and the Cheshire FA development officer and we have made excellent progress in these discussions and our efforts to secure major funding will hopefully come to fruition over the next 9 months or so.

We were delighted at the start of the new season when our current club sponsor, Millbank Holdings, offered the club a further 3 year extension to our deal which will now run until 2018. We have been most grateful for the support given by Millbank and we see this as confirmation of our success in attempting to build our club in the correct manner. As part of that community role we have been able to help a number of good causes by providing raffle prizes and we held a joint fundraising effort with Cavendish School, kindly aided by Runcorn Framers. The club's excellent facilities were again recognised by the North West Counties League when the first division cup final was held here at The Millbank Linnetts Stadium as were a number of Cheshire FA cup games.

Success in FA competitions during season 2013/14 proved to be an excellent revenue stream and prudent housekeeping means the accounts show a healthy state of affairs at the end of the financial year for June 2014. As always, the board is aware of its responsibilities to remain sustainable while at the same time continuing to look to the future. We can only spend what we earn. We are always on the lookout for new income streams and this has to be the main thrust of our planning to ensure we provide the manager with what he needs to bring us success.

I now return to where I finished my report last year when I asked for more fans to get involved in the club beyond match days. On the back of that thanks to all those who helped out in the summer, on match days and post-match jobs. But I again raise the question – are you doing your extra 10% this year to help the club? Please get involved as every little helps to ease the burden on others and helps to sustain the club. We all want the best for the club to progress.

Thank you to my fellow board members, all our helpers, sponsors and advertisers and to you the fans

Derek Greenwood (Chairman) November 2014

RUNCORN LINNETS FC LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

REGISTRATION NUMBER: 29719R

RUNCORN LINNETS FC LIMITED

TRUST INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

Board Members	Derek Greenwood	(Chairman)
	Hedley Edwards	(Vice-Chairman)
	Lynn Johnston	(Football Secretary)
	Philip Wainwright	(Treasurer)
	Mark Buckley	(Operational)
	Reg Woods	(Operational)
	Paul Eastup	(Commercial Development)
	Robert Johnston	(Operational)
	Steve Pritchard	(Press Officer)
	Dave Rose	(Operational)
John Greenhalgh	(Community)	
Ciaran Clotworthy	(Community)	

Trust Secretary David Bettley

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Frodsham
Cheshire
WA6 7LQ

Accountants Burton Beavan
Chartered Certified Accountants
112-114 Witton Street
Northwich
CW9 5NW

RUNCORN LINNETS FC LIMITED

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RUNCORN LINNETS FC LIMITED

STATEMENT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2014


The Board are required to prepare financial statements for each financial period, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the association and of the income and expenditure of the association for that period. They consider that the Society is exempt from an audit.

In preparing those financial statements the Board are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to do so

The Board members are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the association and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Industrial and Provident Societies Acts 1965 -78. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the association and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Board on the and signed on its behalf by:


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David Bettley
Secretary

**RUNCORN LINNETS FC LIMITED
ACCOUNTANTS REPORT TO THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2014**

We report on the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2014. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities).

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF OFFICERS & REPORTING ACCOUNTANTS

As explained in the Statement of the Board of Management's Responsibilities, set out on page four, the board is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to carry out procedures designed to enable us to report our opinion in accordance with applicable law and Standards for reporting accountants' applicable in the United Kingdom.

BASIS OF OPINION

Our work was conducted in accordance with the Statement of Standards for Reporting Accountants and so our procedures consisted of preparing the accounts with the records kept by the society and making such limited enquiries of the officers of the society as we consider necessary for the purpose of this report. These procedures provide the only assurance expressed in our opinion.

OPINION

In our opinion the income and expenditure account and the balance sheet for the period ending 30 June 2014 is in agreement with the books of account kept by the society and that, on the basis of the information contained in the books of account, they comply with the requirements of the Industrial & Provident Societies Act 1965, the Friendly and Industrial Provident Societies Act 1968 & the Cooperative & Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.

In our opinion the society has satisfied the conditions for exemption from an audit of the accounts for the period ended 30 June 2014 as set out in the Industrial and Provident Societies Act 1965 and the Friendly and Industrial and Provident Societies Act 1968 and did not at any time within the period fall within any of the categories of society not entitled to such exemption.



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Burton Beavan
Chartered Certified Accountants
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RUNCORN LINNETS FC LIMITED
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

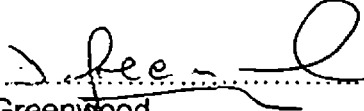
	2014	£	£	2013	£
Income	440			452	
Membership Income Received					
Grants & Donations	7,514			22,867	
Cup income	12,625			1,777	
Match day receipts	32,019			24,073	
Programmes & advertising	8,080			9,736	
Sponsorship	15,374			14,115	
Fundraising – net of expenses	7,953			9,485	
Merchandise sales (net)	461			477	
Season tickets	3,899			4,129	
Ground rental	865			1,693	
Building Society Interest	<u>2</u>			<u>2</u>	
		89,232			88,806
Expenditure	42,734			38,220	
Playing staff costs	3,487			1,065	
Playing kit & laundry	1,686			1,775	
Training fees & equipment	470			552	
Ground rental	1379			480	
Coach hire	3,964			4,081	
Match officials	1,315			1,330	
Catering	3,439			2,864	
Programme production	116			444	
Medical equipment & physio	563			1,660	
FA player fines	1,687			1,481	
Affiliation fees	1,099			1,801	
Insurance	1,800			1,260	
Audit and accountancy fees	471			755	
Bank charges	410			319	
Telephone	120			13,468	
Ground project	13,589			15,184	
Premises expenses	1,379			1,003	
Sundries	<u>1,483</u>			<u>1,568</u>	
Depreciation			(81,491)		(89,310)
			7741		(504)
Profit for the year					
Income & expenditure account b/fwd			32,904		33,808
Income & expenditure account c/fwd			40,645		33,304

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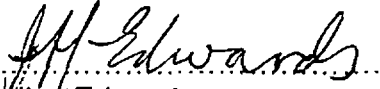
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT
30 JUNE 2014**

		2014	2013
	Notes	£	£
Fixed assets	2	23,735	25,218
Investments	3	-	-
Current assets			
Debtors & Prepayments		298	5,963
Cash at bank		18,973	9,967
Stock (of merchandise)		<u>1,003</u>	<u>858</u>
		<u>20,274</u>	<u>16,788</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	4	<u>2,905</u>	<u>8,943</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>17,069</u>	<u>7,845</u>
Total Net Assets		<u>40,804</u>	<u>33,463</u>
Capital and Reserves			
Called up Share Capital	5	159	159
Income and Expenditure Account		<u>40,645</u>	<u>33,804</u>
		<u>40,804</u>	<u>33,463</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board on theand signed on its behalf by



 Derek Greenwood
 Chairman



 Hedley Edwards
 Vice-Chairman

The notes on pages 8 and 9 form an integral part of these financial statements

RUNCORN LINNETS FC LIMITED
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

There is a rolling membership, the annual renewal date falls on the anniversary of the date on which the member joined, consequently income is stated on a receipts basis.

Stock

Stock of merchandise for re-sale is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

2. Fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Buildings – write off over 25 years

Plant and machinery – 15% on reducing balance

	Buildings	Plant & machinery
Cost		
At 1 July 2013	£ 25,000	£5,239
Additions	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 30 June 2014	<u>£25,000</u>	<u>£5,239</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 July 2013	£3,000	£2,021
Charge for year	<u>£1,000</u>	<u>£483</u>
At 30 June 2014	<u>£4,000</u>	<u>£2,504</u>
Net book value		
At 30 June 2014	<u>£21,000</u>	<u>£3,735</u>
At 30 June 2013	<u>£22,000</u>	<u>£3,218</u>

3. Investments (stated at cost)

Shares in Runcorn Football Club at 1/7/2013	£ <u>400</u>
Share Disposal – Shares in Runcorn Football Club at 30/6/2014	<u>Nil</u>

**RUNCORN LINNETS FC LIMITED
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2014.....Cont.'d.**

4. Creditors and Deferred Income

Deferred Income	£ 1,105
Accruals	£ 1,800
	<u>£ 2,905</u>

5. Share Capital

Allotted, called up and fully paid

	2014	2013
	£	£
At the 1 st July 2013	159	144
Issued during the year	-	15
Written off on lapses in membership	-	-
At 30 th June 2014	<u>159</u>	<u>159</u>

Each member holds one share of £1 in the society.

These shares carry no right to dividends or distributions on a winding up. Each member has a right to vote at members meetings.

Under the Association's rules share capital is non-refundable; if a person ceases to be a member, the amount subscribed for the share becomes the property of the association.