



## Thank you

Thanks to everyone who continued to support the Kirsten Scott Memorial Trust (KSMT) during 2013 – particularly those who have fundraised on behalf of the trust, or made a donation. We are very grateful.

We hope this newsletter provides you with a snapshot of our work in the past year, and some of the behind-the-scenes activities of the trust.

To keep up to date with news from KSMT, you can check the website:

[www.kirstenscottmemorialtrust.com](http://www.kirstenscottmemorialtrust.com)

The Kirsten Scott Memorial Trust

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## The aim of the trust

The aim of the Kirsten Scott Memorial Trust is to provide financial support to young people aged 26 and under, in order for them to fulfil ambitions, enhance their personal development, and make a positive contribution, either at home or overseas.

We hope that through the trust, beneficiaries will be able to enjoy rich new experiences which they would otherwise not be able to undertake, and in doing so, create a fitting legacy for Kirsten.

The trustees will consider applications across a broad range of areas – including, but not limited to - the arts, sport, exploration and travel, volunteering, community projects and educational development.

If you are aged 26 or under, and would like to apply - or you know someone who might – get in touch. You can do this via the website: [www.kirstenscottmemorialtrust.com](http://www.kirstenscottmemorialtrust.com), where you can download an application form, or via email: [kirstenscottmemorialtrust@gmail.com](mailto:kirstenscottmemorialtrust@gmail.com)

Similarly, if you would like to be involved in the trust, or have a fundraising idea, we'd like to hear from you.





## Andrew McMenigall and Toby Wallace

In July 2013, everyone at the Trust was shocked and saddened to hear about the tragic deaths of Andrew McMenigall and Toby Wallace, two colleagues of Kirsten's at Aberdeen Asset Management, who lost their lives during a charity cycle ride, to fundraise for the KSMT, between Land's End and John O'Groats.

Our heartfelt thoughts go out to all of Toby and Andrew's family and friends. We plan to ensure that the passions and interests of these remarkable men are represented in the grant-giving of KSMT.

The Virgin Giving fundraising page, in support of the cycle, currently stands at £40,000 in donations – a testament to the esteem in which Andrew (above) and Toby (below) were held. We thank those who have made such generous donations in their memory.



## Oceanus trans-Atlantic row in the "Toby Wallace"

In 2012, Toby was part of a trans-Atlantic rowing team, which crossed the ocean in 34 days. KSMT was one of the charities supported during this journey, and this year, an 8-man Oceanus crew has set off once again to undertake this immense challenge. The boat, re-named the Toby Wallace, left the Canary Islands on 10 February, bound for Barbados. We wish them all the best. You can follow their journey at [www.oceanusrowing.co.uk](http://www.oceanusrowing.co.uk)





### Grants

Over the past 12 months, the trust has provided financial support to a diverse group of young people, with an eclectic range of ambitions and funding needs. Here are some of them:

#### Patrick Ryan

Patrick Ryan is a talented ballet dancer from Motherwell. In September 2013, Patrick secured a place at the English National Ballet School in London, where he hopes to take the next steps in becoming a professional dancer.

Patrick called the experience so far “wonderful”, adding that the ENB is “the best place for me to become a better dancer.”



#### Ross Hodgkinson

Ross’s passion has always been drumming, having been the former U17 Young Scottish Jazz Musician.

He now has an amazing opportunity to continue his studies at the prestigious Berklee College of Music in Boston, USA (previous alumni include the likes of Quincy Jones and Diana Krall). Here he plans to build on his successes at home, by undertaking a Bachelor in Music.

According to Ross, who started his course in autumn 2013, in just four classes he had already learnt a “massive amount”, and is pleased to have been allocated the renowned jazz drummer Bob Gulloti as his private instructor.



#### Rory Dowie and the HOPE Project

The HOPE Project is a charitable initiative set up by Rory Dowie, an undergraduate student at Edinburgh University, which raises awareness and funds for the charity, Hope For Children.

KSMT have supported Rory to enable him to participate in the gruelling Marathon Des Sables 2014, known as “the toughest foot race on Earth”. In April, Rory will cover 156 miles on foot, across the Sahara Desert. All his sponsorship fundraising will go to Hope For Children.





### Bryony Moody

Bryony is a music graduate who since leaving Leeds University has been teaching part time at Bryanston School.

Her ambition is to pursue a full-time career as a cellist, and as such, the trust has provided a grant in order to support her purchase of a professional standard cello.

She is hoping to stage a fundraising concert later this year, with some proceeds going to KSMT.



### Bruno Paterson-Brown

Bruno received a grant to enable him to travel to South Africa to complete an internship with Global Vision International.

He graduated in 2012 from the Scottish Agricultural College with a degree in Countryside Management. This project in SA, lasting 12 months, gave him valuable practical experience in nature reserve and conservation management to help his career progression. He has now enrolled in a Masters at Edinburgh Napier University.



### Andrew Brown

Andrew, from Glasgow, is one of only 2 people on the Scottish Youth Windsurfing team – who most recently attended the Youth Windsurf Championships in Poland. The Trust has supported Andrew in order for him to compete in international windsurfing competitions, and to meet some of his rigorous training requirements.





### Dante Brenner

Dante's hobby is Shodokan Aikido, a form of martial arts. He is the captain of the society at Dundee University, and needed a grant to cover costs to travel to an international competition in Antwerp in April. During the competition he is hoping to learn new skills and insight, which he can pass on to other members of the society.



### Robert Chapham

Robert is a 2nd year Biochemistry student at Bath University, with aspirations of a career in medical research focusing in either Oncology or

Neurology. The trust has helped him enrol in a summer studentship, lasting 6-8 weeks, which he will undertake later in the year.



### Kieran Henry-Fellows

Kieran, from Worcestershire, is an ambitious basketball player, and member of the Hereford Basketball Academy, from which he has been selected for the U18s national league. Kieran's grant from KSMT will help him meet the requirements of playing at this elite level, including membership, training and kit. He hopes this will enable him to achieve his ambitions of playing professionally in the UK.

### Kirsten Scott Prize 2013

Jennifer Stewart, a sixth form leaver at Mary Erskine School in Edinburgh, is the worthy recipient of the second Kirsten Scott Prize for Service to the School Community.

Jennifer was actively involved in the school community – particularly through her interest in gymnastics. She coached gymnastics for 3 years and last year qualified as an assistant coach through Scottish Gymnastics. In addition to these impressive skills, Jennifer is undertaking a young leader qualification for the Brownies. She now attends St Andrews University, where she hopes to continue both these activities.





## Fundraising

### Aberdeen Asset Management Bake Off

The 'Great Aberdeen Bake Off' took place in November with the company battling it out for the coveted first place. Their fundraising, along with a generous contribution from the Group, raised £600 for KSMT.

Congratulations to all the winners and in particular to Ruya Niazi who is the Great Aberdeen Bake Off 2013 overall winner!



### AAM Singapore

A team from Aberdeen's Singapore office have raised £3,200 for the KSMT from various fundraising activities in 2013. They held a casino night, a charity art exhibition and a lunchtime food festival. Thank you so much for their brilliant efforts!

### Charity Ball in Aberdeen

On 29th March 2014, a charity ball, hosted by Aberdeen Asset Management, will raise funds for the Kirsten Scott Memorial Trust and CLAN Cancer Support, which will receive donations made from the proceeds of the evening, including a raffle and a money-can't-buy auction.

The charity ball will take place at Aberdeen's Marcliffe Hotel on Saturday 29 March.

Tables of 10 are available by emailing [annualcharityevents.aberdeen@aberdeen-asset.com](mailto:annualcharityevents.aberdeen@aberdeen-asset.com) or calling 01224 425826. Individuals interested in donating an auction or raffle prize can also make contact using the above details.

### Kirsten Scott Memorial Ceilidh

After the success of the inaugural 2012 ceilidh, or "celtic rave", as Kirsten would have called it, which raised in excess of £16,000, we are delighted to announce another one will be held on Saturday 14 June 2014, at the Battersea Arts Centre, London. More information to follow soon, but do get in touch if you would like to be involved!

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## Raising the profile of KSMT

During the last 12 months, the trustees have been working hard to raise the profile of the trust in the UK. We'd like to thank the following people who have helped us:

**Sam Sivarajah**, who created the flyer design opposite. This was sent to 200+ universities and colleges in the UK, and can be found in student unions at higher education institutions including Cumbria University, Cardiff University, University of Edinburgh, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Bath Spa University and University of Brighton. Thanks also go to **Pete Hawkes** for his help with the logo and **Jamie McHale** for continued help with the website.

**Steve Wickham**, Director of The Giving Department, who has provided consultancy to the trustees, and helped us gain clarity on how the trust should evolve.

**Lynda Affleck**, The Aberdeen Asset Management Charitable Foundation and **Beverley Tricker** for their help in increasing applications for the trust.

 **The Kirsten Scott Memorial Trust**

**Are you aged 16-25?**

Have you got an ambition you'd like to fulfil, a new experience to discover, a project you'd like to undertake, or just a really good idea?

**Do you need a financial grant to help make this happen?**

We'd like to hear from you.

The Kirsten Scott Memorial Trust (KSMT) provide grants to young people in order for them to fulfill ambitions, enhance their personal development and make a positive contribution, either at home or overseas.

If you think you meet these criteria, and you can demonstrate your requirement for additional financial support, log on to our website [www.kirstenscottmemorialtrust.com](http://www.kirstenscottmemorialtrust.com) to download an application form or contact [kirstenscottmemorialtrust@gmail.com](mailto:kirstenscottmemorialtrust@gmail.com).

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