



Ayrshire Tigers PFC

CHARITY MISSION STATEMENT

Background

Ayrshire Tigers Powerchair Football Club was founded in 2015 in response to there being limited opportunities for disabled powerchair users in Ayrshire to engage in sport.

Mission Statement

Our mission is, “to help improve the lives of all disabled powerchair users, by reducing social isolation and engaging the whole community through the sport of Powerchair Football. We believe that all people regardless of ability should be able to engage in sport. Powerchair Football can be used as a vehicle to take sport out to the people in the Ayrshire community that are excluded from mainstream sport.

Ayrshire Tigers is all about inclusivity to all, allowing our players to play on a level playing field despite their impairments, meaning they forget about their challenges in everyday life when playing. The sport of Powerchair Football should be used as a way to increase self-esteem and confidence, while developing social skills and helping players to reach their full potential.”

Club Aims & Objectives

The aims of the club are to:

- Be a thriving and self-sustaining community powerchair football club.
- Enhance the lives of disabled adults and children, by reducing social isolation and engaging the whole community.
- Provide all players with the maximum opportunities to develop their personal, social, educational and sporting skills to their full potential.
- Encourage and promote the development of powerchair football in a safe environment, within the community of Ayrshire.
- Preserve the ongoing economic viability of the Club while ensuring the financial accessibility of the sport of Powerchair football remains.
- Provide coaching and playing opportunities for players of both sexes, all ages, and all abilities to enjoy and participate in powerchair football at all levels of the sport.
- Endeavour to facilitate the provision of the best playing amenities and equipment for our players.
- Develop a family atmosphere within the club.
- Have fun!

We will achieve the above by:

- The Club being fully inclusive. The club will be open to anyone with a disability who is a competent user of a powerchair and over 8 years old. In certain circumstances discretion can be applied by the Head Coach for under 8s. There will be no discrimination on grounds of gender, disability, ethnicity, language, religion or politics.
- Fundraising to ensure that the club is financially sustainable going forward.
- Encouraging the development of powerchair football at all levels of the game.
- A policy of equal opportunity where the best possible facilities are made available for all players.
- Encouraging sportsmanship and fair competition, where improvement of performance and enjoyment is far more important than results.
- Offering facilities and coaching in an atmosphere that is conducive to the development of every individual in terms of self-discipline, good behaviour and teamwork.
- Supporting powerchair users (especially children) who wish to progress in the sport and show the necessary talent to play the game at the highest level.
- Providing dedicated, screened, and qualified coaching staff within a caring, safe and fun environment for learning and development.
- Ensuring that volunteers, coaches, and club officials receive adequate training to undertake their roles.
- Encouraging and supporting club members in their attempts to gain coaching, refereeing, and other qualifications.
- Working to improve the club's profile within the community of Ayrshire and the wider area.