

Kinghorn Lifeboat Station

Crew Profile

Scott McIlravie

Helmsman



Age: 34

Years RNLI Service: 17

Profession: Computer Engineer

Work place: Edinburgh

Family: Wife and 2 kids

Other Interests: Sailing, repairing broken electronics, playing the occasional musical instrument (badly)

Why do I volunteer? I grew up around sailing dinghies and the lifeboat – my dad is a sailor and was a lifeboat helmsman as well. Since I joined as a 17 year old school boy I have developed skills and gained experiences that I never would have had otherwise. I have tested myself at times, pushed my own boundaries and of course met some amazing people along the way. It has given me a lifetime of stories to tell.

On top of this, the lifeboat crew is like an extended family to me. Like all families, we have our differences and occasional arguments, but I've had my crew mates around me in both happy times and sad, down the station and at home, and they're always there to lend a hand when you need a shed moved or a piano shifted!

Both of my children love coming down the station and watching what we do, and both are keen to join up when they're old enough. It's great to see how proud they are of their dad.