

ADVENTURE PROJECTS TRUST

Annual Report 2024 -25

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INTRODUCTION

Adventure Projects Trust is registered with the Charity Commissioners, registration number 1047928, and is constituted by Deed of Trust dated 24th July 1995. Its address is at 36A The Knoll, Brixworth, Northampton NN6 9HY.

The current Trustees of the charity are: -
Mr. Garryl Willis (Chairperson)
Mr. Richard Johnson
Mr. Benjamin Johnson

AIM OF THE TRUST

The aim of the trust is, “to promote the advancement of the Christian religion and to provide recreational facilities in Uganda and elsewhere to persons who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, poverty or social and economic circumstances with the objective of improving their conditions of life.”

OBJECTIVES OF THE TRUST

The initial objectives of the trust are: -

- the establishment of a residential activities centre called Discovery Centre at Hope Land near to Jinja in Uganda.
- the delivery of programmes and activities that promote a positive Christian lifestyle particularly in relation to AIDS, to the young people of Uganda.

Financial Overview

The 2024-2025 financial year started with a balance of £7,145.66 and finished the financial year with a balance of £7,865.35. The charity has no outstanding liabilities.

It was pleasing to note that the charity received an income of £3,250 from U-UKSLP Community Interest Company, which administers group trips to Discovery Centre.

We are so grateful to the many individuals who support the charity with regular monthly donations and the generosity of those who support the annual Christmas Appeal.

We are indebted to our major supporter who continues to fund the work of the charity -- it substantially covers all staff costs at Discovery Centre.

The Trust has been able to forward £50,805 to support the work in Uganda; this was substantially up from the previous year (£31,015) as exceptional expenditure (£21,000) was required to cover initial legal costs over disputed land ownership (see later).

£660 was sent to the Youth With A Mission (Uganda) national office for their administrative support to Discovery Centre; the remainder, (£29,145), which excludes funds designated for legal expenses (£21,000), was forwarded to Discovery Centre.

The larger part of this, approximately £26,300, was used for the general running of Discovery Centre (D.C.) which included staff support, labour costs, general maintenance and repair.

The Christmas Appeal 2024 raised approximately £2,500 which was used to upgrade the solar power and water supply systems. Approximately £350 was spent on supporting children with school fees.

During the year Discovery Centre was faced with a legal challenge over the ownership of the site on which it stands. The land was purchased in good faith in 1996; however, a claim on the land was made and the court's decision went against Discovery Centre - corruption was suspected. The right to appeal has been granted, and we await a judgement, which we expect to be made in early 2026. Legal costs have been very high, but generous donations have been received via the Trust, and directly through our partners, Youth With A Mission (Uganda) and the costs to date have been met, for which we are extremely grateful.

Supporting the Community

The strap line of D.C. is "a place of blessing" and as part of that D.C. endeavours to be a blessing both to its local community and communities further away.

Through the supporters of D.C, funds have been channelled in many ways into the community, including the provision of school fees, for the purchase of school equipment including textbooks, and funding for repairs to the fabric of a couple of schools.

A generous donation was also given which enabled five sewing machines to be purchased. These have been used to instruct some marginalised young people in tailoring, so in time they can earn income to support themselves.

An activity that has been very warmly received is that of visiting a local prison. Football matches are played which are so enjoyed by the inmates, and there is also the opportunity to deliver messages of encouragement and hope in an environment where it is sadly lacking.

Regular Activities

D.C. has also blessed the local community in many ways by providing regular activities. These include the children's Arise and Shine group on Saturday afternoons,

computer classes on most afternoons in term time, composition and recording of songs with the “Notivate” team, and sports, particularly football, with youth practicing or playing most evenings. We are so grateful the D.C. staff who enable all these activities to happen.

Music Competition

One of the highlights of this year has been a music competition—it was held just before Easter, involving local primary schools. It was a great success. In the term leading up to the competition, Discovery Centre members of the “Notivate” team visited schools, encouraging students to compose songs ready for the competition. The songs produced were recorded in the studio at D.C. We are so grateful to all involved, particularly to staff members Rose and Philip who facilitated the compositions and the competition.

It was also a privilege to have John Bowman from “Notivate UK” present at the competition to encourage the participants and present the prizes.

Sports DTS

Another highlight has been the Sports DTS. Following the success of the last two year’s Sports DTS (Discipleship Training School), a third one was held this year. The Sports DTS is a five-month course with a three-month residential phase and a two-month outreach phase. The Sports DTS hosted at Discovery Centre was accredited by the Youth With A Mission (YWAM) University of the Nations. The DTS is the foundational level school for a wide range of options available through YWAM – see <https://uofn.edu>. The course started in October 2024 and ran until February this year 2025, with the graduation ceremony taking place in March .

As well as having a huge impact upon the communities in these two locations where the outreach took place, the students themselves were greatly inspired, and the experience impacted and influenced them in making life changing decisions.

(See the dedicated web site at www.sportsdtsuganda.org).

Jinja International Youth Meeting 2024

Again D.C. was able to host the Jinja International Youth Meeting. Many of these have been held since their inception in 2007 when they began as a response to the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting held in Kampala. This year we were pleased to welcome 15 students from Finham Park School, Coventry and 20 sixth-formers from various Ugandan schools. As well as the discussions and exchange of ideas that took place during the formal conference sessions, there was a lot of laughter and fun, particularly around the campfire on the final evening. It was truly an immersive learning experience for all.

[Click here for the video link](#)

As well as the Jinja International Youth meeting D.C. was pleased to welcome other regular groups including teams from the ‘Boys’ Mentorship boot camp’ and ‘Camp for Uganda’.

Maintenance and Improvements

It is very important to keep on top of any maintenance that is required at D.C. as the tropical climate, the impact of termites, and general wear and tear of usage can be a challenge. We are very pleased to report that we have been able to address some issues this year. In addition, improvements have been made to the roadway on site by renewing much of its surface and also renewing its edging kerbs.

As a result of the Christmas Appeal we were also able to upgrade some of the solar power installations and water supply.

As has been commented in previous reports, we are so grateful for all the work that is done week in and week out to keep the grounds looking so beautiful and well cared for and for the maintenance of the farm which supplies fruit and vegetables for the centre.

Links with the YWAM Uganda National Leadership

We are very grateful to the members of the YWAM Uganda Leadership team for their support, particularly in recent times as D.C. has faced legal challenges over disputed land ownership. Communication has been excellent with regular Zoom meetings.

The Staff Team

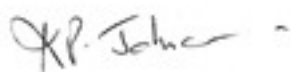
None of these activities described above could happen of course without the D.C. staff. We are indebted to these wonderful people, who are so ably led by Immaculate and supported by her husband Godfrey. They are a very dedicated, prayerful team who through their love, service and laughter make D.C. a very special place to visit.

A Place of Blessing

As we look to the future we pray, as its strap line says, that Discovery Centre will continue to be a source of blessing to those who visit, but also increasing the sphere of blessing to the local and wider communities.

Conclusion

The Trustees would like to thank all the many supporters of Discovery Centre, particularly those who pray for the Centre and its work; however foremost we thank God for His continued goodness and blessing to us.



Richard Johnson

On behalf of the Trustees of Adventure Projects Trust

1st September 2025



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ADVENTURE PROJECTS TRUST

1. Receipts and Payments: Year to 31st August 2025

	24/25 £	23/24 £
Receipts		
Income from organisations	19,080.00	19,080.00
Income from individuals	23,915.00	6,180.00
Income from companies	5,250.00	2,950.00
Income from web giving	67.39	275.51
Trust	550.00	0.00
Gift Aid Recovered	2,786.25	
1,515.00		
Total Receipts	51,648.64	30,000.51
Payments		
Funds forwarded to Uganda	50,805.00	31,015.00
Miscellaneous	111.45	0.00
Bank Fees	12.50	12.50
Total Payments for year	50,928.95	31,027.50
Balance for the year	719.69	-1,026.99
Bank balance at 31 st August 2024	7,145.66	8,172.65
Bank balance at 31 st August 2025	7,865.35	7,145.66

2. Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st August 2025

Monetary Assets		
Bank balance current account	7,865.35	7,145.66
Liabilities	0.00	0.00
Total Monetary Assets	7,865.35	7,145.66

Other Assets

None



Mr. R.P. Johnson

On behalf of the trustees of Adventure Projects Trust

1st September 2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

ADVENTURE PROJECTS TRUST

On accounts for the year
ended

31/8/2025

Charity no
(if any)

1047928

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/8/2025

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination ~~(other than that disclosed below *)~~ which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

15/11/25

Name:

STEPHEN WATKINS

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

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ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTING TECHNICIANS