

BEDFORD DISABLED HORSE RIDING ASSOCIATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1068678

Details

Other names	BEDFORD & DISTRICT HANDICAPPED RIDERS' ASSOCIATION
Status	Registered
Legal form	Trust
Registered	1998-03-16
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: THE RELIEF OF PERSONS SUFFERING FROM PHYSICAL AND MENTAL DISABILITIES BY THE PROVISION OF HORSE RIDING FACILITIES.

Activities: The Association provides horse riding as a therapy for all age groups suffering from physical or mental disabilities. On 2 days per week at their purpose built facilities at Willington, Bedfordshire.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Disability, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** People With Disabilities

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** BEDFORDSHIRE, CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND HERTFORDSHIRE
- Bedford
- Cambridgeshire
- Central Bedfordshire
- Hertfordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£54,313	£35,307	-	-
2024-03-31	£67,991	£89,939	-	-
2023-03-31	£77,835	£47,208	-	-
2022-03-31	£31,621	£51,733	-	-
2021-03-31	£23,159	£24,349	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
AMANDA VARLEY		
Alasdair Tebbutt		2013-11-12
IVAN ROBERT TWIGDEN		
JEAN MARY BEDFORD		
James Godber		2023-02-12
Kate Sylvester-Kilroy		2021-03-01
NICHOLAS HECTOR KIER		2012-01-24
REBECCA TWIGDEN		2012-01-24

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Accounts

Bedford Disabled Horse Riding Association

Annual

Report 2025

At A Trustees` meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025 at The Garden Centre, Willington, Beds the trustees discussed charity`s situation.

We are happy to report that our charity continues to thrive. We have a regular number of volunteers around 40 and we continue to ride approximately 136 children from various special schools in the area. We have also run a special course for Bedford Borough Council.

We have gained planning permission to build a new clubhouse and are in the process of raising funding for this project.

We wish to thank the following organisations The Harpur Trust, The Strangward Foundation, the FRIENDS of BDHRA, The Anders Foundation and the volunteers who make the charity possible.

We continue to investigate ways to gain the maximum from our facilities to further help disabled and disadvantaged children in Bedfordshire.

Signed



Dated

5th December 2025

J.M. Bedford	49 Church Road, Willington, Bedford MK44 3PU
J. Godber	Abbey House, Ravenstone MK46 5AR
A. Tebbutt	York Farm Barn, Thurning, Peterborough PE19 2BP
N. Kier	Millstone House, Thurleigh, Bedford MK44 2DP
K. Sylvester-Kilroy	16 Asgard Drive, Bedford. MK41 OUS
R. Twigden	Stonely Hill Farm, Stonely, St Neots, Cambs PE19 5Es
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A. Varley	Greenfield Lodge, Strixton, Wellingborough, Northants NN29 7PB

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

FOR

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER:

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REPORT OF LONGSTAFF, GENTLE & CO
TO THE TRUSTEES
OF THE BEDFORD DISABLED HORSE RIDERS ASSOCIATION
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1 October 2025

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<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>		
Land at Cost (incl. Professional Fees)	123159	123159
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Stock	210	210
Tax Debtor	5155	1205
Bank Deposit Accounts	41175	40721
Bank Current Account	43028	28412
Cash In Hand	0	0
	<u>89568</u>	<u>70548</u>
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		
Creditors	<u>360</u>	<u>346</u>
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>	89208	70202
<u>TOTAL NET ASSETS</u>	<u><u>212367</u></u>	<u><u>193361</u></u>
<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>		
Balance as at 1 April 2024	193361	215309
<u>Add:</u> Surplus /(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure for the year	19006	(21948)
Balance as at 31 March 2025	<u><u>212367</u></u>	<u><u>193361</u></u>

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Nick Kier
Trustee

Jean Bedford
Trustee

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

INCOME

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Donations and Memorial Funds	18363	48173
Riders Money	10410	7140
Sales Table	28	147
Income from Functions	6068	4697
Friends of B.D.H.R.A.	18990	7405
	<u>53859</u>	<u>67562</u>
Interest Received	454	429
Total Income	<u><u>54313</u></u>	<u><u>67991</u></u>

EXPENDITURE

Purchase of Horses	0	0
Outdoor Menage	0	58550
Professional Fees	9240	0
Purchase of Printed Sweatshirts for Re-sale (Net of Stock Adjustment)	0	147
Function Expenses	1074	275
Horse Expenses (Feed, Shoes, etc)	9807	11217
Insurance	6459	6610
Repairs and Maintenance	5603	6945
General Office Expenses (including website)	3124	6195
	<u>35307</u>	<u>89939</u>

Surplus/(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure for the year	<u><u>19006</u></u>	<u><u>(21948)</u></u>
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Bedford Disabled Horse Riding Association Report 2024

At a Trustees' meeting held on 23rd September 2024 at Frosts Garden Centre, Willington, Beds the Trustees discussed the charity's situation.

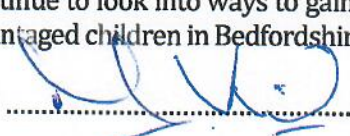
We are happy to report that our charity continues to thrive. We have a regular number of volunteers, circa 40, and are continuing to ride around 120 children from various special schools in the area. We have also run a special group with aid from Bedford Borough Council.

We have upgraded our outdoor riding arena which cost a substantial amount of money and have applied for planning permission to build a new clubhouse with a classroom facility. We have planted a woodland area at the bottom of our paddocks.

Sadly, one of our most prominent Trustees the Hon Richard Godber died this year, he will be missed but we wish to give thanks for his good counsel and hard work over many years.

We wish to thank the following organisations. The Strangward Foundation, the Friends of BDHRA, The Anders Foundation, The Harpur Trust, The Aesopian Society, The National Lottery, The Wixamtree Trust, The Varrier Jones Foundation and the Panacea Trust.

We continue to look into ways to gain the maximum from our facilities to further help disabled and disadvantaged children in Bedfordshire.

Signed 

Date 20.9.24

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3 September 2024

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<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Stock	210	220
Tax Debtor	1205	3577
Bank Deposit Accounts	40721	40292
Bank Current Account	28412	48390
Cash In Hand	0	3
	<u>70548</u>	<u>92482</u>
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		
Creditors	<u>346</u>	<u>332</u>
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>	70202	92150
<u>TOTAL NET ASSETS</u>	<u><u>193361</u></u>	<u><u>215309</u></u>
<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>		
Balance as at 1 April 2023	215309	184682
Add: Surplus /(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure for the year	(21948)	30627
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X 
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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

INCOME

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Donations and Memorial Funds	48173	46825
Riders Money	7140	7350
Sales Table	147	325
Income from Functions	4697	7120
Friends of B.D.H.R.A.	7405	16139
	<u>67562</u>	<u>77759</u>
Interest Received	429	76
Total Income	<u>67991</u>	<u>77835</u>

EXPENDITURE

Purchase of Horses	0	2000
Outdoor Menage	58550	0
Purchase of Printed Sweatshirts for Re-sale (Net of Stock Adjustment)	147	60
Function Expenses	275	3063
Horse Expenses (Feed, Shoes, etc)	11217	11439
Insurance	6610	6184
Repairs and Maintenance	6945	21280
General Office Expenses (including website)	6195	3182
	<u>89939</u>	<u>47208</u>

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<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Stock	210	220
Tax Debtor	1205	3577
Bank Deposit Accounts	40721	40292
Bank Current Account	28412	48390
Cash In Hand	0	3
	<u>70548</u>	<u>92482</u>
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		
Creditors	<u>346</u>	<u>332</u>
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>	70202	92150
<u>TOTAL NET ASSETS</u>	<u><u>193361</u></u>	<u><u>215309</u></u>
<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>		
Balance as at 1 April 2023	215309	184682
Add: Surplus /(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure for the year	(21948)	30627
Balance as at 31 March 2024	<u><u>193361</u></u>	<u><u>215309</u></u>

Approved by the Trustees of the Bedford Disabled Horse Riders Association on September 3rd 2024

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Nick Kier
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BEDFORD DISABLED HORSE RIDERS ASSOCIATION

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

INCOME

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Donations and Memorial Funds	48173	46825
Riders Money	7140	7350
Sales Table	147	325
Income from Functions	4697	7120
Friends of B.D.H.R.A.	7405	16139
	<u>67562</u>	<u>77759</u>
Interest Received	429	76
Total Income	<u>67991</u>	<u>77835</u>

EXPENDITURE

Purchase of Horses	0	2000
Outdoor Menage	58550	0
Purchase of Printed Sweatshirts for Re-sale (Net of Stock Adjustment)	147	60
Function Expenses	275	3063
Horse Expenses (Feed, Shoes, etc)	11217	11439
Insurance	6610	6184
Repairs and Maintenance	6945	21280
General Office Expenses (including website)	6195	3182
	<u>89939</u>	<u>47208</u>

Surplus/(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure for the year	<u>(21948)</u>	<u>30627</u>
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BEDFORD DISABLED HORSE RIDING ASSOCIATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1068678

Accounts

The Friends of the Margaret Junior School

(Registered no: 1114202)

ANNUAL REPORT for 2023

Background.

The Friends of the Margaret Junior School was established as a registered charity in May 2006. The original objects of the Association were to “advance the education of the pupils at the Margaret Junior School, Masaka District, Uganda, by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities for education at the school.” In 2011, the Charity Commission agreed to an amendment to the constitution to include support towards ex-pupils, who were successful in gaining a place at secondary school or further education. The main activities of the Association are the raising of funds from individuals and other bodies, which are then transferred to the School Committee in Masaka, Uganda, in pursuit of the charity’s objectives and for the benefit of the school’s pupils and ex-pupils. Decisions as to expenditure are taken by the school committee after discussion with the Trustees.

Trustees.

Trustees are elected annually by the members of the Association at an Annual General Meeting. The present Trustees are: Freda Bass, Roger Ford, Hilary Procter, Nicholas Stokes, Margaret West (Chair) and Maria Woodward. In undertaking their duties, the Trustees have taken due regard to the guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Membership.

Membership is open to anyone willing to pay a minimum of £10:00 per annum. At the end of 2023, the Association had 32 paid-up members. This figure shows a slight but welcome increase during the year. Not all of the charity’s supporters are paid-up members and we are grateful for the supporters and sponsors who have continued to contribute over many years. We would particularly like to thank all who regularly contribute through standing orders and who use the Gift Aid facility, which contributes a significant sum to the charity’s finances .

Activities.

The solid support and regular contributions provide the Friends with a firm financial base, which allows the Head-teacher and Committee to plan for a more confident future, rather than cope on a day-to-day basis. Both the UK and Uganda continued to struggle with the after-effects of the coronavirus pandemic. Life in Uganda has slowly begun to recover and all educational facilities remained open throughout most of 2023. Short closures were required following an outbreak of Ebola in parts of the country. Unfortunately, the school nurse contracted the virus but subsequently recovered well, following a period of quarantine and hospitalisation. The school was also affected by a local outbreak of measles, which sadly led to the death of a pupil. This was a harsh reminder of the disparate medical provision in our respective countries. One legacy of Covid has been an increase in the cost of living and families continue to struggle with the rise in prices for fuel and basic commodities.

The new vocational training centre is now operational and was named in honour of Sarah Kasujja, the school’s founder. The Education Authority has agreed to meet staffing costs for 10 years and local grants have allowed for the provision of metal work equipment and machinery. The Friends contributed towards the cost of sewing machines and shoe-making equipment.

Farming has also been added to the curriculum. During 2022, we were able to send money to the school, so that they could purchase some pigs. This was made possible by two of our supporters, who asked for financial donations instead of wedding presents. The pigs have done well and there have been lots of piglets during the year. As well as teaching the pupils about animal husbandry, the local veterinary officer has extended the classes to involve parents, instructing them in up-to-date methods. Sales of the piglets to the District Council provided funding for building toilets for the teachers, while the Council distributed the piglets to local farmers. Just one example of how the school is involved in the local community.

At home, the Christmas Appeal was successful in helping the school raise funds to replace much of the playground equipment, which had been put to good use over several years. As 2024 starts, work has commenced on the alterations and replacements. We were able to start our fund-raising programme again during the year and enjoyed a successful garden party in July, followed by a quiz later in the year. Thanks to everyone who participated and supported these enjoyable events. We are always open to new ideas for raising funds.

Currently, the Bursary Scheme embraces 39 children: 24 primary, 14 secondary, and one former pupil, who has now started at university, reading Civil Engineering. The Trustees would like to thank the individual sponsors and the local Lions Clubs in Shropshire, Cheshire and Staffordshire, who have supported this scheme. There are many more children who would still qualify, there being 349 pupils registered at the end of 2023 : 98 of whom were orphans and 5 disabled. Two previous students graduated in 2023 both gaining law degrees from Makerere University in Kampala. Both are currently practising in Magistrates' Courts. Two other students will graduate in Spring 2024.

The Trustees would like to thank all our regular donors and will review future sponsorships in the light of developments.

Financial Review

The purpose of the charity is to support pupils and ex-pupils of the Margaret Junior School and in 2023 expenditure on the school and pupil sponsorship amounted to £47,500. This was less than in 2022 but contrasts with the £7,600 sent in 2006 when the charity was first established. Since its opening, in 2003, the school campus has developed and grown in ways which could never have been anticipated. From its original two classroom home-built building, the school now is able to accommodate over 300 pupils in a range of purpose-built facilities. In addition to paying sponsorships, the money has been spent on general funds and teachers' salaries, as well as funding a much-needed maintenance schedule.

Administrative costs remain low, at less than 1%, allowing all the money raised to be spent on the school and its pupils. Supporters can remain confident that the Trustees will continue to strive to ensure that money donated goes directly to support the school and its pupils. A Reserve Policy has been established by the Trustees and a sum of £4000 is set aside for this purpose. This is the amount required for one semester at the Junior School.

Future Plans

Since the "Friends of the Margaret Junior School" was first incorporated as a charity in 2006, priority has been given to building up the infrastructure of the school. This has resulted in the purchase of the land; the installation of a supply of clean water; the building of pit latrines and two four-classroom blocks; the provision of basic hostel accommodation; a multi-purpose examination room and a vocational training facility. The transformation from the modest beginnings in 2003 is a significant achievement and the Trustees would like to thank all our supporters, many of whom have been involved since the school first opened 20 years ago. Additionally, other buildings have been erected by the parents and local community to enhance the educational, administrative, washing and cooking facilities. These are significant achievements. This highlights the standing that the school has achieved in the local community.

The Vocational Training Centre is now operational with two workshops up and running. We hope that it will be possible for the school committee to bring the computer workshop on stream in 2024 but that will require significant funding.

The Trustees are mindful that the current arrangements are not sustainable in the long term and we will need to address the future funding of the school and look for a greater contribution from local resources in Uganda. The recruitment of younger Trustees is something we would like to achieve and closer links with other similar charities will also be considered.

The Trustees would like to thank all our donors, sponsors and members for their loyal support for the school.

Margaret West
Chair of Trustees.

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Margaret Junior School

Charity number 1114202

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

FOR

BEDFORD DISABLED HORSE RIDERS ASSOCIATION

BEDFORD DISABLED HORSE RIDERS ASSOCIATION

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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REPORT OF LONGSTAFF, GENTLE & CO
TO THE TRUSTEES
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
(REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1068678)

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Basis of Independent examiner's report

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18 July 2023

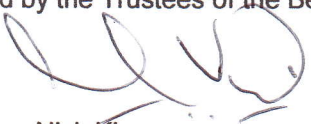
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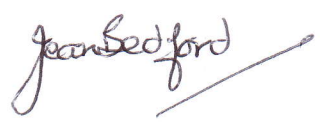
BEDFORD DISABLED HORSE RIDERS ASSOCIATION

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>		
Land at Cost (incl. Professional Fees)	123159	123159
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Stock	220	480
Tax Debtor	3577	1263
Bank Deposit Accounts	40292	40216
Bank Current Account	48390	19840
Cash In Hand	3	56
	<u>92482</u>	<u>61855</u>
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		
Creditors	<u>332</u>	<u>332</u>
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>	92150	61523
<u>TOTAL NET ASSETS</u>	<u><u>215309</u></u>	<u><u>184682</u></u>
<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>		
Balance as at 1 April 2022	184682	204794
<u>Add:</u> Surplus /(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure for the year	30627	(20112)
Balance as at 31 March 2023	<u><u>215309</u></u>	<u><u>184682</u></u>

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Nick Kier
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BEDFORD DISABLED HORSE RIDERS ASSOCIATION

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

INCOME

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Donations and Memorial Funds	46825	22565
Riders Money	7350	1430
Sales Table	325	274
Income from Functions	7120	220
Friends of B.D.H.R.A.	16139	7128
	<u>77759</u>	<u>31617</u>
 Interest Received	 76	 4
 Total Income	 <u><u>77835</u></u>	 <u><u>31621</u></u>

EXPENDITURE

Purchase of Horses	2000	12450
Purchase of Printed Sweatshirts for Re-sale (Net of Stock Adjustment)	60	151
Function Expenses	3063	76
Horse Expenses (Feed, Shoes, etc)	11439	8906
Insurance	6184	5653
Repairs and Maintenance	21280	22233
General Office Expenses (including website)	3182	2264
	<u>47208</u>	<u>51733</u>

Surplus/(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure for the year	<u><u>30627</u></u>	<u><u>(20112)</u></u>
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BEDFORD DISABLED HORSE RIDING ASSOCIATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1068678

Accounts

Bedford Disabled Horse Riding Association Report 2022

At a Trustees' Meeting held on September 21st 2022 at Frosts Garden Centre, Willington, Bedfordshire the Trustees took stock of the charity's situation.

We were closed at the beginning of the year but opened our doors properly in February and welcomed back all the children. So happy to report that we have over forty volunteers without whom we would be unable to operate.

We continue to be supported by our many local contributors who we especially wish to thank during these very difficult times. Specifically, we wish to thank the Strangward Foundation, the 'Friends' of BDHRA, The Anders Foundation, The Bedford Charitable Trust, The Ron Gale Trust and The Aesopian Society from the John O'Gaunt Golf Club. The funding from these groups has been invaluable not just in terms of our running costs but also in enabling us to replace our worn out and dilapidated fencing.

We are looking into ways to gain the maximum from our facilities to further help disabled and disadvantaged children in Bedfordshire.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees



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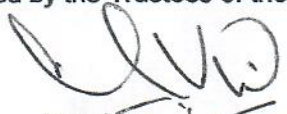
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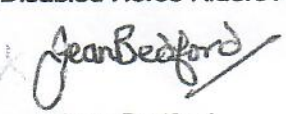
BEDFORD DISABLED HORSE RIDERS ASSOCIATION

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

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Land at Cost (incl. Professional Fees)	123159	123159
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Stock	480	280
Tax Debtor	1263	2823
Bank Deposit Accounts	40216	40212
Bank Current Account	19840	38626
Cash In Hand	56	18
	<u>61855</u>	<u>81959</u>
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		
Creditors	<u>332</u>	<u>324</u>
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>	61523	81635
<u>TOTAL NET ASSETS</u>	<u>184682</u>	<u>204794</u>
<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>		
Balance as at 1 April 2021	204794	205984
<u>Less:</u> Excess of Expenditure over Income for the year	(20112)	(1190)
Balance as at 31 March 2022	<u>184682</u>	<u>204794</u>

Approved by the Trustees of the Bedford Disabled Horse Riders Association on September 21st, 2022


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BEDFORD DISABLED HORSE RIDERS ASSOCIATION

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

INCOME

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Donations and Memorial Funds	22565	13118
Riders Money	1430	0
Sales Table	274	0
Income from Functions	220	0
Friends of B.D.H.R.A.	7128	10031
	<u>31617</u>	<u>23149</u>
Interest Received	4	10
Total Income	<u>31621</u>	<u>23159</u>

EXPENDITURE

Purchase of Horses	12450	0
Purchase of Printed Sweatshirts for Re-sale (Net of Stock Adjustment)	151	0
Function Expenses	76	0
Horse Expenses (Feed, Shoes, etc)	8906	12113
Insurance	5653	5361
Repairs and Maintenance	22233	2137
General Office Expenses (including website)	2264	4738
	<u>51733</u>	<u>24349</u>

Excess of Expenditure over Income for the year	<u>(20112)</u>	<u>(1190)</u>
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REPORT OF LONGSTAFF, GENTLE & CO
TO THE TRUSTEES
OF THE BEDFORD DISABLED HORSE RIDERS ASSOCIATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022
(REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1068678)

I report on the accounts of Bedford Disabled Horse Riders Association for the year ended 31 March 2022, which are set out on pages 3 to 5 as follows.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- 1 examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- 2 to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- 3 to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met: or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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MR S.P. SIMPSON

Stephen Simpson

5 September 2022

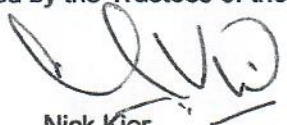
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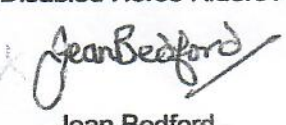
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>		
Land at Cost (incl. Professional Fees)	123159	123159
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Stock	480	280
Tax Debtor	1263	2823
Bank Deposit Accounts	40216	40212
Bank Current Account	19840	38626
Cash In Hand	56	18
	<u>61855</u>	<u>81959</u>
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		
Creditors	<u>332</u>	<u>324</u>
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>	61523	81635
<u>TOTAL NET ASSETS</u>	<u>184682</u>	<u>204794</u>
<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>		
Balance as at 1 April 2021	204794	205984
<u>Less:</u> Excess of Expenditure over Income for the year	(20112)	(1190)
Balance as at 31 March 2022	<u>184682</u>	<u>204794</u>

Approved by the Trustees of the Bedford Disabled Horse Riders Association on September 21st, 2022


Nick Kier
Trustee


Jean Bedford
Trustee

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

INCOME

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Donations and Memorial Funds	22565	13118
Riders Money	1430	0
Sales Table	274	0
Income from Functions	220	0
Friends of B.D.H.R.A.	7128	10031
	<u>31617</u>	<u>23149</u>
Interest Received	4	10
Total Income	<u>31621</u>	<u>23159</u>

EXPENDITURE

Purchase of Horses	12450	0
Purchase of Printed Sweatshirts for Re-sale (Net of Stock Adjustment)	151	0
Function Expenses	76	0
Horse Expenses (Feed, Shoes, etc)	8906	12113
Insurance	5653	5361
Repairs and Maintenance	22233	2137
General Office Expenses (including website)	2264	4738
	<u>51733</u>	<u>24349</u>

Excess of Expenditure over Income for the year	<u>(20112)</u>	<u>(1190)</u>
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES.

- 1.1 The accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis under the Historic Cost Convention.
- 1.2 The cost of horses, tack and other wasting assets have been charged in the year in which they have been paid.
- 1.3 Donations and bequests are credited into the accounting period in which they have been received.
- 1.4 Expenditure is written off in the year in which it is paid.
- 1.5 The land used by the Association is partly freehold, i.e. the land on the south side of Balls Lane, Willington (title number BD 174215), and partly leasehold, which lies on the northern boundary of the freehold, for which a peppercorn rent is paid. There is a restriction on the use of both properties to use the land only as riding centre for the disabled. The nominal consideration and the costs associated with the transfer of the properties were written off in the year in which they were incurred. The Association has now purchased 12 acres of land on the east side of Balls Lane, Willington, Bedfordshire.
- 1.6 Amortisation of the lease has been charged against the accumulated funds in the balance sheet. The remaining balance has been written off during the year.

2 TAXATION

On 16th March 1998 the Bedford Association was registered as an independent charity (number 1068678). The income from investments is not liable for tax (ITCA 1988 sec. 505(1)c). By concession the income from trading is also exempt as the proceeds from such trading is applied solely to the benefit of the charity.