

Riding for the Disabled

Rossington Hall Group

Charity 1074139

Chairman's Report 2023-2024

At the end of my first year in the role, I have the pleasure of presenting the Chairman's Report for Riding for the Disabled, Rossington Hall Group, Doncaster, for the year 2023-2024.

Over the past year we have continued to thrive, providing accessible riding and horse care lessons to individuals with special needs, both adults and children, during the day and evenings. We enable a greater proportion of the local communities to experience the physical and mental benefits of being around horses whilst they learn new skills and make new friends. It's not only the clients that benefit. Special thanks must go to our dedicated team of coaches and volunteers who also get great pleasure from assisting at sessions and providing daily care for our horses and ponies, and maintaining the field hygiene, whatever the weather. What would we do without them?

This year we have been able to make a few improvements to our facilities with the help of our supporters. Craig continues to amaze with his handy man skills by producing a new contained poo heap in one of the fields, fixing Perspex sheets to the gallery area to keep the noise, wind and rain away as well as the routine day to day repairs. Mud mats were laid to improve ground conditions with funding from Retford Inner wheel and the Mud Mat Appeal. We have purchased a new horse, bringing our total to eight. Our Open Day gives the opportunity for individuals who adopt our horses and ponies to meet their chosen equine.

We would not be able to continue to provide our service without the on-going support of our families, local businesses, groups, and organisations. Some activities have become annual events. Thank you to all those who attend our Family Fun Dog Show, a little less intense than Crufts but equally as competitive. We are always made to feel very welcome at the Golf Tournament at Doncaster Golf Club, with the Group's Trustees providing refreshments at the Halfway House. We do try to put a team forward at Quiz Nights arranged by the local Doncaster Rotary Clubs. Although, this can involve a little gentle persuasion, until the excellent pie and peas supper is mentioned. The Swimathon organised by Retford Rotary Club takes place in March to which we send a team of our very best swimmers and Torne Valley continues to support us with hay and equine related products.

We always include a note of thanks to supporters in our Newsletters around the time of their donation. I couldn't possibly mention everyone in this report. The raffles, Christmas jumper competition entrants and purchasers of calendars are all as valuable to us. Whether your donation is pennies or pounds we are incredibly grateful for all the support we receive.

Thank you to all the Trustees, Ann the Treasurer, Sharon the Secretary, and finally, just in case we do let her retire in the next year, a huge thank you to Mary for her famed Carrot Fund, and for organising a live music evening at Fishlake which was enjoyed by all who attended.

Sharon

RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ROSSINGTON HALL GROUP CHARITY NO 1074139

ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2024

Receipts

Riders Fees	27,256.00	
Donations	15,939.30	
Fundraising	12,463.15	
Misc refunds	1,998.00	
	57,656.45	57,656.45
Bank interest	126.80	
Total Income	57,783.25	57,783.25

Payments

Direct Activity

Coaches Fees	25,502.00
Feed	2,856.00
Farrier	2,650.00
Field/Grazing	13,412.62
Vet/Dentist	2,949.39
Tack	331.96
	47,701.97

Other Payments

Arena maintenance	1,182.00	
Insurance/ service contracts	3098.63	
Office /phone /stationery	403.85	
DBS checks	47.70	
Golf Day meals/costs	3,170.34	
First Aid supplies	10.74	
Dog Show rosettes/raffle	75.00	
Rotary Quiz	120.00	
Ghorse purchase	3,840.00	
Rider refund	36.00	
Google charges	84.04	
NH Room Hire training	175.00	
Volunteer uiform	252.20	47,701.97
Bank Charges	97.77	12,593.27
	12,593.27	60,295.24

Balance at 01/04/23	15,545.83
Balance @ 31/03/24	13,033.84

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees/members of:

RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ROSSINGTON HALL GROUP

On accounts for year ended 31 -03-2024

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity trustees consider that audit is not required for the year (under section 43 (2) of the charities act 1993 (the act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to •

1. the accounts (under section 43 (a) of the act
2. Follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7) (b) of the act and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures pinion on the accounts.

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: to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act : and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have been met : or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed

Date 18/08/2024

Name M..Finch



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