

Trustees' report for 2023

2023 was a busy year for the Society. We were able to programme two major one-day events: a “Double Reed Festival” at the Birmingham Conservatoire in May and a “Double Reed Celebration” at the Royal Academy of Music in London in October. Participants at both events were offered a range of activities including professionally coached solo and group playing sessions, a lunchtime concert and the opportunity to visit a range of trade stands including instrument and reed makers and dealers. In keeping with our established format both events ended with a mass playing session for participants. The London event, which was particularly well attended, also included the first performance, by Amy Harman, of a new work for solo bassoon by Pongtorn Techaboonakho, the winner of the BDRS-Leitzinger open bassoon prize in our 2021 composition competition.

We also supported some events run by other bodies: the well-established Gloucestershire Double Reed Day in June and a Summer Music event at Cheetham's School.

During the year we were delighted to receive a very generous donation in the form of a legacy to support double reed opportunities. We also received a number of donations of double reed instruments from several sources enabling us to launch a new instrument loan bank in October.

We kept in touch with our members through three issues of Double Reed Magazine as well as online newsletters and regular posting on social media including Facebook.

The Society's income from all sources (including the legacy) received in 2023 was. £75,501 and our outgoings came to £24,757. This left us in a strong position to plan further activities in the coming years.

James Turnbull - Chair
Paul Hubbard - Secretary

BRITISH DOUBLE REED SOCIETY
ANNUAL ACCOUNTS SUMMARY - Receipts and Payments
YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023

RECEIPTS	£	PAYMENTS	£
Membership subscriptions	15860	Double Reed News costs	
DRN advertising received	3097	Printing and distribution	8822
Competition prize/ sponsorship	0	Editorial	6201
		Competition costs	900
		Events	
Leicester Discovery Day	90	Leicester Discovery Day	0
RAM Double Reed Day	1885	RAM Double Reed Day	2444
Birmingham DRD	2811	Birmingham DRD	2808
		GDRD Support	60
Bank Interest	266	Chethams	900
		DBS and safeguarding	387
		Internet & website expenses	490
		Design and publicity	237
		Committee Expenses	840
		Accountancy	150
		Sundries	106
		Information Commissioner	35
		Subscriptions Making Music	377
Total	24009		24757
DEFICIT BEFORE EXCEPTIONAL ITEM	748		
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Exceptional item		Exceptional item surplus	51492
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OPENING BANK BALANCES 20749

Deficit for year -748

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CLOSING BANK BALANCES **71493**

Breakdown of bank balances

	2023	2022
	£	£
Santander	3175	5365
Santander Savings Acc	5905	5836
CCLA	56428	4728
Paypal	5985	4820

Total cash assets **71493** 20749

Approved by:  J Turnbull (Chairman) on 29 September 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
British Double Reed Society

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1080461

Set out on pages

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(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 31/12/2023.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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:

11/10/2024

Name:

Mark Yea

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

MAAT

Address:

Castle Chambers 6 Westgate Hill Pembroke SA71 4LB

Section B

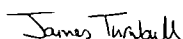
Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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