

# CHRISTIAN MOTORCYCLISTS' ASSOCIATION UK

Registered charity 1080911

## Trustees' Annual Report for the year to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021



The Christian Motorcyclists Association UK (known as CMA UK), is governed by a constitution, and became a registered charity, number 1080911, on 26th May 2000. Its main address is P.O Box 8155, Loughborough, LE11 9AR.

The trustees who served during the year to March 2021 were:

- B.J Carbonero
- N Hogan
- F.C McDougall
- R.A Urand

CMA UK benefits from the fact that all of its trustees are active members of the charity, and so have current practical experience of the organization's objectives, governance and activities. The close and positive working relationship continued between the trustees and the National Executive, the leadership team responsible for the day to day operation of CMA UK.

The objects / purpose of the charity are to propagate the Christian Gospel, and to provide for motorcyclists and others teaching in the Christian Faith as revealed by the Holy Bible.

The charity's membership is spread throughout the United Kingdom, and each person is attached to a local branch, of which there are twenty seven spread across England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland. Branches have the responsibility of carrying out the charity's objectives in a way best suited to their local motorcycling community, whilst observing the charity's rules and constitutional requirements. Communication with our members and supporters is maintained via the National Chairman and members of the National Executive, through local branch leaders, our magazine 'Chainlink', prayer email 'Fasttrack', social media such as official CMA UK Facebook pages, and our website at [www.bike.org.uk](http://www.bike.org.uk).

As a Christian mission to motorcyclists, our work takes place at motorcycling events of all types. These normally include large rallies, small motorcycle shows, charity rides and events (such as remembrance events and in support of air ambulance charities), motorbike meets at local cafes, and through attending motorcycle racing meets (short circuit, road racing and motocross), green-laning and advanced rider training.

Throughout the 12 months covered by this report the coronavirus pandemic and the associated lockdowns and other control measures had a significant impact on the UK motorcycling community which we serve. Many events were cancelled, even if initially postponed.

Many of our branches used virtual meeting systems to keep in touch and to continue to pray for the wider motorcycling community. Where possible while complying with the government rules at the time, our membership took the opportunity to continue to meet with other motorcyclists, although in one or twos or small groups.

We continued to give away copies of our pocket-sized New Testament, the Biker Bible. The overwhelming majority of the cost of these is raised from our members, their branches, and their churches. We continued to hear from people how these bibles have been used by God to transform their lives, and of

how they appreciated the prayer support provided by CMA UK's membership – particularly during the pandemic.

Despite the pandemic our financial position has remained strong, and our financial reserves remain at the equivalent of about nine months' expenditure. CMA UK benefitted from the fact that most funding comes from our members and supporters, primarily through regular monthly giving via our standing order scheme and/or annual giving via membership subscriptions; there is no dependency on grants or other types of funding from external sources.

Those contributing by monthly standing order are able to choose the level of their support, with a minimum of five pounds per month. Their continued loyalty and generosity allows us to keep our annual membership subscriptions low so that no one is prevented from joining on the basis of cost alone. Annual membership subscriptions were last increased ten years ago.

Our General Fund receives this income and uses it to cover the running costs of the charity. The charity has no investments, fixed assets, or loans. It makes no grants and spends nothing on fundraising. It has one full time member of staff, our National Chairman; all other posts are filled by volunteers, locally and nationally.

Our costs have benefitted over the past six years from the Government's National Insurance Allowance, whereby employers, including charities, can now claim back up to £4,000 per annum from their Class 1 National Insurance Contributions.

During the year there were no serious incidents (as defined by the Charity Commission for England and Wales) relating to CMA UK reported to the Charity Commission, nor were there any that have not been reported.

Declarations.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature(s) 

Full name(s) BRIAN JOHN CARBONERO  
20/1/22

(Current Trustee(s) at the time this report was submitted).



CHRISTIAN MOTORCYCLISTS ASSOCIATION UK

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2021

2020/21		
Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
£	£	£

2019/20		
Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
£	£	£

Receipts and payments account

Receipts:

Members' subscriptions & donations  
General donations  
Designated donations  
Gift Aid  
Sales of merchandise  
Sales of training materials & tracts  
Events  
Interest  
Other  
Total

34,173		34,173
6,013	6,566	12,579
		-
7,178		7,178
1,835		1,835
		-
		-
101		101
1,212		1,212
50,512	6,566	57,078

33,769		33,769
5,481	10,443	15,924
4,560		4,560
7,542		7,542
8,836		8,836
121		121
3,348		3,348
233		233
179		179
64,069	10,443	74,512

Less Payments:

Employment costs  
Travel expenses  
Printing bibles  
Purchase of merchandise  
Events  
Members' magazine  
General donations made  
Designated donations made  
Communication costs  
Insurance  
Other  
Total

27,092		27,092
1,022		1,022
		-
1,579		1,579
		-
7,050		7,050
5,000		5,000
		-
1,847		1,847
315		315
2,283		2,283
46,188	-	46,188

30,102		30,102
6,333		6,333
	31,045	31,045
5,125		5,125
		-
5,100		5,100
5,100		5,100
3,877		3,877
856		856
862		862
2,361		2,361
59,716	31,045	90,761

Net receipts/(payments)

4,324	6,566	10,890
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4,353	(20,602)	(16,249)
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Opening balance

39,042	1,886	40,928
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34,707	22,470	57,177
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Transfers between funds

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Closing balance

43,366	8,452	51,818
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39,042	1,886	40,928
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Statement of assets and liabilities

Cash funds

Bank current accounts  
Bank deposit accounts  
Total funds

7,173		7,173
36,193	8,452	44,645
43,366	8,452	51,818

10,884		10,884
28,158	1,886	30,044
39,042	1,886	40,928

Other assets

Stock of merchandise, at cost

8,079		8,079
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8,082		8,082
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Note

These are the National accounts of the Christian Motorcyclists Association UK, and therefore do not include the receipts, payments, and bank balances of the individual local branches of the charity, except where the counterparty is the National accounts.

Signed on behalf of all the trustees of Christian Motorcyclists Association UK

Signature R.A. Urand

Name R.A Urand

Date 20-1-22

B.J. Carbonero

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20/1/22

CHRISTIAN MOTORCYCLISTS ASSOCIATION UK

Independent Examiner's report on the Accounts

Report to the trustees/members of Christian Motorcyclists Association UK (Charity Registration No 1080911) on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021 set out on Page 3.

**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 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act') and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

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

**Basis of Independent Examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 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:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act;
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

Signature  Date 20.1.22

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