

CHRISTIAN MOTORCYCLISTS' ASSOCIATION UK

Registered charity 1080911



Trustees' Annual Report for the year to 31st March 2022

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 2022 were:

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

CMA UK continued to benefit 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 WhatsApp groups, and our website at www.bike.org.uk.

As a Christian mission to motorcyclists our work takes place at motorcycling events of all types, and our membership is more involved and active than would be the case if CMA UK were a motorcycle club. Events include large rallies, small motorcycle shows, charity rides (such as in support of air ambulance charities), remembrance events, and motorbike meets at local cafes. We also attend motorcycle racing meets (short circuit, road racing and motocross), green-laning and advanced rider training.

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.

Throughout the 12 months covered by this report the coronavirus pandemic continued to have a significant impact on the UK motorcycling community which we serve. As for the previous year, many events were again cancelled, or were slow to restart when coronavirus control restrictions were eased and then removed. After two years of their absence some regular events or meeting places for motorcyclists

did not resume, although other new bike meets started up to take their place as people gradually returned to riding their motorbikes and meeting with others.

In terms of our own national events, the financial risk resulting from continuing pandemic related uncertainties alongside a necessary change of venue meant that the decision was taken not to hold the CMA UK National Rally in July 2021. Instead, as legal restrictions to meeting were removed, branches were encouraged to meet together at their local level to help in-person activities to resume where people felt comfortable to do so.

Having sought guidance from the Charity Commission of England & Wales, the annual CMA UK Fellowship Weekend and Annual General Meeting was moved from April 2021 to October 2021, which also allowed it to be held in person. Despite some members staying away due to health considerations, 32% of our national membership attended (comfortably above the 25% needed for the AGM to be quorate) and those who were present greatly appreciated the opportunity to meet together.

Despite the pandemic our financial position remained strong, and our financial reserves remain at the equivalent of about nine months' expenditure. CMA UK benefits 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 allow 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 eleven 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.

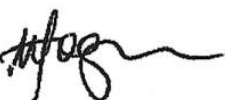
Our costs continue to benefit from the Government's National Insurance Allowance, whereby employers, including charities, can now claim back up to £4,000 per annum from their Class 1 National Insurance Contributions.

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) **NAOMI ALEJANDRA HOGAN**



Brian John Albano

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

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ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2022

	2021/22			2020/21		
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts and payments account						
Receipts:						
Members' subscriptions & donations	33,352	6,346	39,698	34,173		34,173
General donations	3,609	-	3,609	6,013	6,566	12,579
Designated donations	-	-	-			-
Gift Aid	7,676	-	7,676	7,178		7,178
Sales of merchandise	2,943	-	2,943	1,835		1,835
Sales of training materials & tracts	-	188	188			-
Events	-	-	-			-
Interest	67	-	67	101		101
Other	56	-	56	1,212		1,212
Total	47,703	6,534	54,237	50,512	6,566	57,078
Payments:						
Employment costs	30,102	-	30,102	27,092		27,092
Travel expenses	4,007	-	4,007	1,022		1,022
Printing bibles	-	-	-			-
Purchase of merchandise	5,037	-	5,037	1,579		1,579
Other merchandise costs	154	-	154			-
Publicity training	-	38	38			-
Members' magazine	5,500	-	5,500	7,050		7,050
General donations made	4,500	-	4,500	5,000		5,000
Designated donations made	200	-	200			-
Communication costs	933	-	933	1,847		1,847
Insurance	290	-	290	315		315
Other	2,087	-	2,087	2,283		2,283
Total	52,810	38	52,848	46,188	-	46,188
Net receipts/(payments)	(5,107)	6,496	1,389	4,324	6,566	10,890
Opening balance	43,366	8,452	51,818	39,042	1,886	40,928
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Closing balance	38,259	14,948	53,207	43,366	8,452	51,818

Statement of assets and liabilities

Cash funds

Bank current accounts	8,494	-	8,494	7,173	-	7,173
Bank deposit accounts	29,765	14,948	44,713	36,193	8,452	44,645
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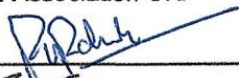
Other assets


Stock of merchandise, at cost	7,510	-	7,510	8,079	-	8,079
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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:

Name – Phil Roberts, National Treasurer Signature  Date 23/1/23

Name – B.J. Carbonero, Trustee Signature  Date 17/1/23

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 2022 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.

Name - D.D Prentice, CA, ACMA

Signature



Date

23.1.23

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