

BERKSHIRE SEARCH & RESCUE DOGS

England & Wales · Charity number 1102479

Details

Other names	LOWLAND SEARCH DOGS - THAMES VALLEY, BERKSHIRE SAR DOGS
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2004-03-04
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	34 Hythe Close Bracknell Berkshire RG12 0UY
Phone	07793005754
Email	treasurer@k9-sar.com
Website	www.bsard.org.uk

Activities

Objects: 1) PROTECT AND PRESERVE GOOD HEALTH AND LIFE AND ALLEVIATE SUFFERING BY THE PROVISION OF VOLUNTEER SEARCH DOGS TO ASSIST ORGANISATIONS INVOLVED IN THE SEARCH AND RESCUE OF MISSING PERSONS, WHETHER THEY ARE BELIEVED TO BE ALIVE OR DECEASED. 2) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN ALL MATTERS RELATING TO GENERAL DOG WELFARE AND SEARCH AND RESCUE. 3) TO ASSIST IN THE SAVING OF LIFE AND ALLEVIATION OF SUFFERING IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY BY ASSISTING THE STATUTORY EMERGENCY SERVICES

Activities: To search for lost or missing vulnerable persons on behalf of the Emergency Services

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services
- **What:** Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Bracknell Forest
- Reading
- Slough
- West Berkshire
- Windsor And Maidenhead
- Wokingham

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£20,871	£19,038	-	-
2024-03-31	£25,469	£20,695	-	-
2023-03-31	£16,564	£12,071	-	-
2022-03-31	£7,128	£19,447	-	-
2021-03-31	£26,696	£17,497	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Lou Holmes	Chair	2024-06-11
Dawn Craig		2026-05-19
Diane Finn		2026-05-19
Mark Lambden		2024-05-21

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Accounts

Annual report for Berkshire Search and Rescue Dogs, registered charity number 1102479.

Address: 34 Hythe Close, Bracknell, RG12 0UY

Trustees: Lou Holmes, Sara Harwood, Sian Jones and Mark Lambden

Berkshire Search And Rescue Dogs is a small team of volunteers, currently consisting of 26 members. Of those, there are 4 trustees and a further 6 on the committee. The charity is managed by the committee, who meet every 6 weeks, and are trusted by the team to make decisions in the best interest of the charity on matters such as fundraising, recruitment and training (CPD).

Every year, before the AGM, all members have the opportunity to nominate themselves for positions on the committee, and these must be supported by two non committee members. All positions are then voted for at the AGM, and all full members can vote. Those members voted into the positions of chairman, vice-chair, secretary and treasurer automatically become trustees.

The normal activities of the charity are to assist the police in the search for missing vulnerable people. We are called to assist the police on searches at no cost. The charity is entirely voluntary and all money raised is from public donations, grants, collections and fundraising events. We meet to train on at least a weekly basis and have assessments and operational requirements which we have to meet which are set by Lowland Rescue who are the umbrella organisation for all Lowland Search and Rescue teams.

During 2023, we were called out 20 times to assist the police in searching for vulnerable missing people, and we had 11 dogs qualified and ready to be deployed at any time. While none of our dogs had finds on a live search this year, their efficient way of working helped to eliminate areas very quickly. This meant that other vital resources could be targeted to where they were needed most.

We also managed to qualify a further 4 air scenting dogs, and a second ground scenting dog. With only 4 ground scenting dogs in the country, we are proud to have 2 of these life-saving dogs with us.

During the financial year April '23 - March '24 we made £25,843.23, the majority of this (£21,604.89) being generous donations. We were lucky enough to be selected as the Wokingham mayors' chosen charity for this year, which really helped to provide a much needed boost.

During this period, we also had £21,068.48 worth of expenses. Our insurance alone is close to £5,000, and we spent almost £10,000 on equipment to make sure our volunteers and their dogs have everything they need to deploy in all weathers, at any time of day or night. A further £2,500 was spent on training/CPD for both new and existing members. We do not currently have a reserves policy, but this is something we're working on.

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		Income									Expenditure												
Date		SUBS	Deposits	DONATIONS	SHOWS	S.A.D.	C.S.J.	KEELA	SUNDRY		Insurance	Storage	TRAINING COURSES	Lowland Rescue / D4H / SEBV	EQUIPMENT	C.S.J.	Stationary / Printing	Sundry		Reciept / Invoice present		Bank Balance	
		Income for reporting year = £ 25,843.23									Expenditure for reporting year = £ 21,068.48												
		792	0	21604.89	633.97	20	1371.96	0	£1,420.41			4368.91	1703.48	2498.00	1171.62	8125.79	1361.89	330.00	1508.79				
24/04/2023		24																					14547.56
24/04/2023		24																					14571.56
24/04/2023		24																					14595.56
24/04/2023		12																					14607.56
25/04/2023		24																					14631.56
25/04/2023				997.5																			15629.06
25/04/2023				20																			15649.06
25/04/2023				50																			15699.06
25/04/2023												149.80											15549.26
25/04/2023																464.10							15085.16
25/04/2023		24																					15109.16
25/04/2023							199.75																15308.91
26/04/2023		24																					15332.91
02/05/2023											284.65												15048.26
02/05/2023				4																			15052.26
02/05/2023		24																					15076.26
02/05/2023																272.55							14803.71
02/05/2023		24																					14827.71
04/05/2023		24																					14851.71
04/05/2023				4037.96																			18889.67
08/05/2023		24																					18913.67
09/05/2023														30.00									18883.67
09/05/2023																201.42							18682.25
09/05/2023																417.82							18264.43
10/05/2023		24																					18288.43
11/05/2023																							18257.34
15/05/2023		24																					18281.34
15/05/2023				316.68																			18598.02
16/05/2023				1226																			19824.02
19/05/2023				110.29																			19934.31
19/05/2023																			6.60				19927.71

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23/05/2023				482																		20409.71
30/05/2024				19.28																		20428.99
31/05/2023												149.80										20279.19
31/05/2023															143.58							20135.61
01/06/2023				4																		20139.61
01/06/2023											284.65											19854.96
07/06/2023																		482.00				19372.96
09/06/2023				19.28																		19392.24
12/06/2023				19.28																		19411.52
14/06/2023				241																		19652.52
18/06/2023																		5.00				19647.52
19.06/2023				500																		20147.52
25/06/2023				16																		20163.52
26/06/2023												149.80										20013.72
26/06/2023															65.00							19948.72
26/06/2023				16.22																		19964.94
03/07/2023				4																		19968.94
03/07/2023											284.65											19684.29
04/07/2023															713.94							18970.35
04/07/2023															2600.00							16370.35
04/07/2023														110.00								16260.35
07/07/2023				118.31																		16378.66
13/07/2023														300.00								16078.66
14/07/2023									870.71													16949.37
19/07/2023																		5.00				16944.37
27/07/2023												156.76										16787.61
27/07/2023													176.00									16611.61
27/07/2023													875.00									15736.61
30/07/2023														43.85								15692.76
30/07/2023														30.00								15662.76
30/07/2023													66.00									15596.76

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Berkshire Search & Rescue Dogs

Statement of Income & Expenditure @ 31st March 2024

Income

	£
Subscriptions	798.00
Deposits	0.00
Donations received	22475.60
Shows	633.97
Sponsor a Dog	20.00
CSJ	1391.96
Sale of equipment	149.79
Sundry items	0.00
	25469.32

Expenditure

Training Courses	1623.00
Storage costs	1703.48
Sebev one number	96.62
Equipment	9000.79
CSJ	1361.89
Website	108.00
Stationary/ Printing	330.00
D4H fees for year	420.00
Insurance	4368.91
Bank Charges	70.40
LR Assessments	195.00
LR Subscription	110.00
LR Net	300.00
Other sundry items	1006.48
	20694.57

Profit/(Loss) for the year to 31st March 2024

4,774.75

Balance Sheet @ 31st March 2024

Current Assets

Bank	18618.44
Cash in hand	0.00

Current Liabilities

	<u>18618.44</u>
Accumulated fund as at 1st April 2023	13843.69
Profit/(Loss) for year 2024	4774.75
Balance @ 31st March 2024	<u><u>18618.44</u></u>

Notes to Accounts

Interest receivable

Interest from bank taxed at source

£
0.00

Donations Received

Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

General running costs
Equipment/Training

9000.00
9000.00

Deposits: Amounts falling due within one year

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the instructions of Berkshire Search & Rescue Dogs. I have therefore prepared a statement and income and balance sheet for the year ending 31st March 2024 from the information and records supplied to me and certify that they represent a fair view of the charity.



I J Lewis FMAAT MATT
Auditor

Accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From April 1st 2020 Period start date To March 31st 2021 Period end date

Charity name: Berkshire Search and Rescue Dogs

Charity registration number: 1102479

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	1) Protect and preserve good health and life and alleviate suffering by the provision of volunteer search dogs to assist organisations involved in the search and rescue of missing persons, whether they are believed to be alive or deceased. 2) Advance the education of the public in all matters relating to general dog welfare and search and rescue. 3) Assist in the saving of life and alleviation of suffering in the event of an emergency by assisting the statutory emergency services
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	With the help of the donations and grants received we have been able to provide resources for searches when required. This last financial year has seen us use donations to help provide the relevant PPE kit for team members to help protect themselves and the people we are searching for
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	The three trustees of the charity have read the "Public benefit: rules for charities" document provide by the government.

Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	When called upon to help with searching for missing persons we have been able to provide the police with confidence that the missing person has either or not been in located in the search areas. We have also been able to provide team members to help with administration at COVID vaccine centres and administer vaccines.
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	We ended the finical year with a balance of £21,000 which is over the amount we would normally look to carry over. This was due to the spend on items that had been planned but had not gone through yet because of the problems in the
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Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	supply chain due to the pandemic. We aim to hold reserves of £10,000 which would cover the basic running costs of the team for a year.
Amount of reserves held	£10,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	N/A

Structure, Governance and Management

Type of governing document	Constitution
How is the charity constituted?	Unincorporated
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	The trustee role of chair, secretary and treasurer are voted upon each year at the AGM with all full members being able to stand for any of the roles

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Berkshire Search and Rescue Dogs
Other name the charity uses	BSARD
Registered charity number	1102479
Charity's principal address	5 North Road Moulsford Oxon OX10 9JJ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Jon Bromley	Chair		Full team members
2	Ro Facer	Secretary		Full team members
3	Paul Pink	Treasurer		Full team members

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

None

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)	Paul Pink	Ro Facer
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	Secretary
Date	30/01/2022	

Date	Details	Income									Expenditure								Receipt / Invoice present	Bank Balance
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sub-totals for 1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021		744	50	24860.57	0	60	221.4	196	163.8	4201.12	1989.6	2828.62	1451.43	5847.28	164.18	277.5	337.22			
01/04/2020	Balance B/F from 31/3/2020																		12441.17	
				4						228.33								n/a	12212.84	
	24																	n/a	12216.84	
	24																	n/a	12240.84	
	24																	n/a	12264.84	
	48																	n/a	12288.84	
															73.39			Yes	12336.84	
	24																	n/a	12263.45	
	24																	n/a	12287.45	
							18.4											n/a	12311.45	
							18.4											n/a	12329.85	
	24																	n/a	12348.25	
								27.6										n/a	12372.25	
																		n/a	12399.85	
	24																	n/a	12423.85	
	12																	n/a	12435.85	
	24																	n/a	12459.85	
	24																	n/a	12483.85	
	36																	n/a	12519.85	
	24																	n/a	12543.85	
	24																	n/a	12567.85	
	12																	n/a	12579.85	
							9.2											n/a	12589.05	
	24																	n/a	12613.05	
														139.90				Yes	12473.15	
	24																	n/a	12497.15	
				4						228.33								n/a	12268.82	
																		n/a	12272.82	
											165.80							Yes	12107.02	
														509.60				Yes	11597.42	
														119.19				Yes	11478.23	
													110.00					Yes	11368.23	
	24																	n/a	11392.23	
	24																	n/a	11416.23	
				20														n/a	11436.23	
				28.92														n/a	11465.15	
				26.99														n/a	11492.14	
				20														n/a	11512.14	
				1000														n/a	12512.14	
													205.00					Yes	12307.14	
																		Yes	12141.34	
										228.33	165.80							n/a	11913.01	
				4														n/a	11917.01	
							15											n/a	11932.01	
	12																	n/a	11944.01	
				48.2														n/a	11992.21	
				395.24														n/a	12387.45	
				318.12														n/a	12705.57	
				221.72														n/a	12927.29	
				110.86														n/a	13038.15	
				139.78														n/a	13177.93	
				155														n/a	13332.93	
	24																	n/a	13356.93	
				77.12														n/a	13434.05	
	24																	n/a	13458.05	
																		Yes	13435.32	
				255.46									22.73					n/a	13690.78	

			43.67															n/a		13734.45
										165.80								Yes		13568.65
			28.92															n/a		13597.57
			48.2															n/a		13645.77
										228.33								n/a		13417.44
			4															n/a		13421.44
										128.88								n/a		13292.56
										165.80								Yes		13126.76
										374.08								n/a		12752.68
			4															n/a		12756.68
			45.81															n/a		12802.49
										165.80								Yes		12636.69
															277.50			Yes		12359.19
			9050															n/a		21409.19
										374.08								n/a		21035.11
			4															n/a		21039.11
			964															n/a		22003.11
													30.98					Yes		21972.13
															108.00			Yes		21864.13
			132.07															n/a		21996.20
							63.53								90.79			Yes		21905.41
							27.27											n/a		21968.94
											100.00							n/a		21996.21
			19.28															Yes		21896.21
			400															n/a		21915.49
										165.80								n/a		22315.49
																		Yes		22149.69
										616.00								n/a		21533.69
															50.00			n/a		21483.69
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										299.01								n/a		21134.68
			4															n/a		21138.68
			1709.52															n/a		22848.20
			38.56															n/a		22886.76
			38.56															n/a		22925.32
			38.42															n/a		22963.74
			22.16															n/a		22985.90
			400															n/a		23385.90
										165.80								Yes		23220.10
											26.50							Yes		23193.60
															74.22			Yes		23119.38
										299.15								n/a		22820.23
			4															n/a		22824.23
			147.01															n/a		22971.24
			400															n/a		23371.24
			446.38															n/a		23817.62
			723															n/a		24540.62
			39.44															n/a		24580.06
										165.80								Yes		24414.26
												3000.00						Yes		21414.26
			2000															n/a		23414.26
										299.15								n/a		23115.11
			4															n/a		23119.11
												420.00						Yes		22699.11
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													65.70					Yes		22553.40
													33.84					Yes		22519.56
												115.00						Yes		22404.56
			2000															n/a		24404.56
			102.22															n/a		24506.78
			100															n/a		24606.78
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										165.80								Yes		24385.98
										299.15								n/a		24086.83
			4															n/a		24090.83
			19.28															n/a		24110.11
													19.98					Yes		24090.13

											240.00							Yes		23850.13
											2488.62							Yes		21361.51
			192.8															n/a		21554.31
		50																n/a		21604.31
			125															n/a		21729.31
					15													n/a		21744.31
					30													n/a		21774.31
										299.15								n/a		21475.16
			4															n/a		21479.16
											165.80							Yes		21313.36
			117.45															n/a		21430.81
													12.00					Yes		21418.81
			2500															n/a		23918.81
							66											n/a		23984.81
			55.91															n/a		24040.72
							40											n/a		24080.72
								£28.00										n/a		24108.72
								28										n/a		24136.72
											165.80							Yes		23970.92
													500.00					Yes		23470.92
														175.50				Yes		23295.42
								28										n/a		23323.42
								28.8										n/a		23352.22
			4															n/a		23356.22
															229.74			Yes		23126.48
															1394.24			Yes		21732.24
										299.15								n/a		21433.09
							90											n/a		21523.09
								28										n/a		21551.09
								23										n/a		21574.09
											165.80							Yes		21408.29
													40.20					Yes		21368.09
														48.60				Yes		21319.49
		24																n/a		21343.49
							28.5											n/a		21371.99
							28.5											n/a		21400.49
		24																n/a		21424.49
		24																n/a		21448.49
			28.5															n/a		21476.99
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		24																n/a		21524.99
		24																n/a		21548.99
		48																n/a		21596.99
			19															n/a		21615.99
		24																n/a		21639.99



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Berkshire Search and Rescue Dogs

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1102479

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 **31/03/2021**.

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:

30/1/22.

Name:

SARAH BACKHOUSE

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

Address:

35 ST MARYS STREET
WALLINGFORD
OX10 0EU.