



WYFOLD GROUP RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

Annual Report and Accounts

31 March 2023

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Registered Charity Number 1119428

Incorporated Company Number 06121720

Directors:

Diane Lee	Chairman
Caroline McKean	Company Secretary
Elizabeth Jones	Treasurer
Lee Austin	Resigned 17 July 2023
Adrienne Heriot	
Philip Rushworth	Resigned 17 July 2023
Kim Fry	
Linda Potter	
David Walter	
Joy Skipper	

Minutes Secretary:

Linda Potter

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Governing Document: Constitution Memorandum and Articles of Association Incorporated on 21 February 2007

Objects: Providing disabled people with the opportunity to ride and/or carriage drive to benefit their health and wellbeing in the South Oxfordshire and Reading area.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT:

Summary of the main activities in relation to the objects

Our workforce of 8 horses and ponies continue to give therapeutic riding and driving sessions to approximately 68 individuals. The activities take place in our purpose-built riding arena or on the all-weather track and with rides out through beautiful woods and parkland.

The lessons are conducted by 23 trained riding coaches, 6 driving coaches, and 83 dedicated volunteers. The volunteers also look after the horses and ponies under the guidance of a part time yard manager who is our only paid employee.

Activities for this year

Welcome to our 51st Annual General Meeting.

The main objective of this meeting is to sign off the 2022/2023 accounts and therefore I have to start with another huge thank you to Liz Jones, for pulling all of this together. Liz has been with us for just over a year and continues to bring a professionalism, efficiency, organisation, and rigour to all that we do. We thank Liz enormously for all her continued support and hard work.

We now have 56 riders including pony therapy and we are almost at capacity. We need to review this constantly as we have a waiting list of 9 children and 17 adults plus a further 23 children on a Saturday, so 49 in total and it grows daily!

We would normally also have 12 drivers, but after a year working with Mary, who replaced Lucky, we have reached the sad conclusion that she is unsuitable for us. She will be sold, and we have just bought Bumble, for whom we have high hopes as a ride and drive.

Our largest capital expenditure this year was replacing the surface to our all-weather arena. This was our largest ever capital spend ever, but we all agree that we have a fabulous and versatile surface that drains magnificently. Thank you to Joy Skipper for coordinating the project and getting it delivered on budget and in a timely manner.

We also have a new field shelter that Kim Fry coordinated and she is also taking on the management of Zara's memorial shelter, so a big thank you also to Kim.

It would also be remiss of me not to express huge gratitude to Phil Rushworth. He has been a stalwart poo picker on a Sunday and more recently a very active Trustee, managing client payments with Gill and all the DBS checks. Phil has decided to step down due to poor health, but he has made a huge contribution to the charity for which we are massively grateful. Thank you also to David Walters who adds the DBS checks to his insurance responsibilities.

Fundraising

Where would we be without our Head of Fund Raising, Gill Rushworth. She has once again had an amazing year. Gill convinced her friends at Perpetual to make a £3,000 contribution to our new tractor, which has delighted Elizabeth, and our 2 Fayres, at Christmas and in May, together raised over £4,000. Not only a record but a massive addition to our funds. Thanks go to Loraine and the Monday team for coordinating those. Sporting success from David Walters also inspired donations, so thank you to David for his pedal power.

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Reserves Policy

It is our policy to maintain a cash reserve in the General Fund to cover approximately 6 months running costs and as can be seen from our accounts we are able to do this thanks to the wonderful fundraising efforts each year.

Coach Reviews

All our instructors are reviewed every 3 years to validate our insurance and ensure continued professional development. I am pleased to say that all our coaches are now up to date with reviews. We have had 2 recently signed off as new coaches and a further 6 in training. Thank you to Adrienne Heriot for coordinating the training and supporting our recruits, and to Joy for offering to support the process, having recently experienced it herself.

Safeguarding and First Aid Training

All our coaches are up to date with First Aid.

All our coaches have also had their Safeguarding training.

Jane Havelock and Kim Fry continue to work tirelessly on these very important elements to secure our conformance and we are hugely grateful to you both for doing this. It is not an easy task, but their patience and determination ensure we are compliant, and that our insurance is kept valid. Thank you so much.

A huge thank you to our Board of Directors who have once again worked very hard to keep things running smoothly.

And finally... a massive thank you to all of you. I know it is said many times, but honestly – without you, this amazing facility would not exist.



Diane Lee
Chair of Trustees
1 July 2023

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Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Wyfold Group Riding for the Disabled on the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023

We report to the trustees of Wyfold Group Riding for the Disabled (charity number: 1119428) on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- 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
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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.

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; and
 - 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.



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - 1 April 2022 - 31 March 2023

	Unrestricted General Fund	Designated Development Fund	Designated Purchase of Ponies Fund	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources:					
Voluntary income	60,180	0	0	60,180	49,802
Grants	1,200	0	0	1,200	300
Fundraising events	11,036	0	0	11,036	11,927
Income from sale of uniforms	441	0	0	441	1,763
Investment income	370	0	0	370	161
Gain on sale of assets	7,080	0	0	7,080	120
Miscellaneous income	378	0	0	378	0
Total income resources	80,685	0	0	80,685	64,073
Resources expended:					
Legal fees	1,098	0	0	1,098	1,139
Purchase of ponies - Mary	0	0	4,901	4,901	6,300
Purchase of ponies - Gift Aid on donation	0	0	-2,500	-2,500	0
Purchase cost of uniforms	287	0	0	287	1,917
Replacement school surface	37,057	15,023	0	52,080	0
Other charitable activities	62,010	0	0	62,010	42,470
Total resources expended	100,452	15,023	2,401	117,876	51,826
Net movement in funds	-19,767	-15,023	-2,401	-37,191	12,247
Total funds brought forward	161,733	15,023	3,700	180,456	168,209
Total funds carried forward	141,966	0	1,299	143,265	180,456

BALANCE SHEET - 31 March 2023

	31 March 2023	31 March 2022
Assets:		
Fixed assets	23,415	11,230
Debtors / accounts receivable	1,040	1,260
Cash at bank and in hand	120,543	167,966
Less: liabilities	-1,733	0
Total net assets	143,265	180,456
Represented by:		
General fund	141,966	161,733
Development fund	0	15,023
Purchase of ponies fund	1,299	3,700
Total funds	143,265	180,456

Liz Jones
Treasurer



17 July 2023

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	General fund 2023 £	General fund 2022 £
ANALYSIS OF INCOMING RESOURCES		
Voluntary income:		
Riders' contributions	26,891	17,118
Donations - non-designated	25,489	22,684
Income tax recovered (Gift Aid)	7,800	0
	60,180	39,802
Activities for generating funds:		
Fund raising events	10,377	11,528
Cards and calendars	70	-94
Adopt a Pony	380	100
Other fundraising (sales through online sites)	209	393
	11,036	11,927
Other income:		
Grants	1,200	300
Uniform sales (costs below)	441	1,763
Gains on sales of assets - tractor / trailer	7,080	120
Miscellaneous income	378	0
	9,099	2,183
Bank interest	370	161
Total income	80,685	54,073

ANALYSIS OF RESOURCES EXPENDED ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

Costs of generating funds:		
Staff costs	13,236	12,573
Legal fees and governance	1,098	1,139
Equipment, tack and hats	1,174	259
Vet and farrier	15,963	9,558
Feeds and supplements	7,111	incl below
Other general pony expenses	1,925	6,610
Fencing and buildings	3,931	1,012
General maintenance	1,057	869
Vehicle maintenance	306	233
Depreciation	10,065	6,739
Insurance	4,243	2,182
General administration	699	476
Electricity	1,000	659
Water	197	276
Telephone	348	339
Transport of horses	375	244
Purchase cost of uniforms	287	1,917
Costs of training volunteers (net of contributions/grants)	275	221
Website costs	0	115
Miscellaneous costs	105	105
New school surface (total cost £52,080 less development reserve balance b/f £15,023)	37,057	0
Total expenditure	100,452	45,526