

THE BIKE EXPERIENCE

England & Wales · Charity number 1145547

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2012-01-19

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF DISABLED PEOPLE WHO WOULD OTHERWISE BE EXCLUDED BY ENABLING THEM TO ENJOY THE PLEASURES AND BENEFITS OF RIDING A MOTORCYCLE BY THE PROVISION OF ADAPTED AND MODIFIED MOTORCYCLES AND ADVICE ON TRACK

Activities: Promoting the physical and mental health and well being of disabled people who would otherwise be excluded by enabling them to enjoy the pleasures and benefits of riding a motorcycle by the provision of adapted and modified motorcycles and advice on track

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability
- **Who:** People With Disabilities

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NATIONAL
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£44,088	£39,636	-	-
2023-12-31	£53,330	£46,423	-	-
2022-12-31	£25,111	£13,517	-	-
2021-12-31	£6,731	£10,477	-	-
2020-12-31	£9,303	£15,168	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
HALINA TOMLINSON LLB		2012-01-19
RUSSELL DOCKER		2012-01-19
RUSSELL O'NEILL		2012-01-19

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

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H Tomlinson
R O'Neill
R Docker

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Objectives and Main Activities in Relation to the Objectives and the Public Benefit

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Core values of the charity are:

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EVOLUTION - Bringing together able-bodied and disabled people so that the established boundaries are broken down and myths of disability are deconstructed on both sides, allowing everyone to ride together, side by side.

All activities are provided without cost to the individual wishing to participate in The Bike Experience programme of instruction.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's General Guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing the Charity's aim and objectives in planning future activity.

The Bike Experience review 2024

In 2024 The Bike Experience has been busy preparing bikes, instructing riders and demonstrating to crowds. The initial stage was the preparation of bikes and equipment, as well as finding a suitable venue that was also affordable. After much discussions it was decided to accept the offer from Silverstone to run the instructional events at the Old Copse Runway.

The Bike Experience review 2024

Public Liability Insurance continues to eat into the fund raised, with PLI being £5700 for the year which was a drop from the previous year (£7500). Over the years the charity has been in operation there has never been an accident involving any member of the public observing or taking part in the charity. However, we are required to have PLI and so it continues to be a significant impact on funds.

The bike were serviced, repaired and prepared for the coming season. The leathers and riding equipment was all checked and the large trailer also serviced. A very good condition second-hand Aprilia Mana was purchased this year, which was thanks to the Worshipful Company of Wheelwrights and their generous support.

In order to support the riders we need a team of twelve volunteers. There are four regular instructors, and eight 'launch crew'. As a charity we have a diverse group of volunteers, for example on any one day we can have volunteers who are/have: paraplegic, amputee, stroke survivor, female stunt rider, autism, transgender, PTSD and ADHD. This diverse group ensures we have empathy and understanding for many of our clients.

MAY

In May we had a pair of back-to-back instructional events, both of which were fully booked for new riders and each had two returning riders. The days were blessed with sunshine and everyone turned up excited and nervous to get on two wheels.

The volunteers arrive at 8am in order to prepare the site, get the bikes out, lay out the coned course, conduct safety briefing and plan the day ahead. The riders then begin to arrive at 9.30am and get signed on, into riding equipment and ready to begin the day at 10.30am.

Throughout the day the riders developed from a basic 'straight line' launch and catch, to steering input and figure 8s. Once ready they move to larger coned circuit and are led by instructors around the course, whilst being observed by the main riding instructor of the day. The final stage is to allow the rider to circulate by themselves and re-discover the amazing feeling of freedom and enjoyment.

There were eight riders in total, three new riders and five returning riders. Chris Dabbs, an ex MCN Road Tester, had come back for his second time, but the last time with the charity was over ten years ago. He called afterwards to say how much he enjoyed the day and that the difference in the way the instructional day was carried out was far better than ten years ago. He thanked all the staff and said it had been a truly wonderful day for himself. Tragically Chris suddenly died two weeks later from an infection, which shocked all that knew him, TBE sent condolences to his family and friends.

JUNE

The third TBE instructional event took place on the 11th June. We were back at Silverstone and enjoyed another 'dry weather' window. The temperatures were not as high as before, so riders were not quite so baked in their leathers. We had planned to have two days, but hoped for funds did not materialise and the charity had to cancel four events throughout the year.

There were six riders on the day, with three paraplegics keeping the launch crew very busy. No matter the impairment, each rider made progress throughout the day, and everyone was enjoying solo riding around the TBE course by the end of the session.

The Bike Experience review 2024

AUGUST

Another single day. Six riders, three paraplegics who were all new riders and three retuning riders.

As there had been the MotoGP at the track the weekend before, there was time spent ensuring the area was cleared of any debris and metal parts that could have caused punctures. It was the first day of drizzle and cold for a long time, but all riders turned up. Sometimes in the past the charity has had riders pull out if the weather wasn't lovely and sunny.

Extra focus was put on 'slow speed' riding as the area is a car park rather than a race track, so the surface is not as grippy as out on the main track. Despite the conditions, which remained damp throughout the day, everyone progressed and there were no unplanned departures or incidents of riders skidding.

One returning rider was from the May event, and he had purchased his own bike and wanted to get used to it before heading out on track days. He was delighted that he was riding his own bike having not thought it was possible six months before.

SEPTEMBER

There were two back-to-back events in September, once again we were extremely lucky with the weather and enjoyed three more days of sunshine. Last year there had been RAF Odiham as well in September, but due to the fatality during the separate ARD section of the day, all riding at the airfield has been cancelled indefinitely.

There were ten riders over the course of the two days, it was great to see 50% of the riders being women. Due to peoples experience and function, there was a spread of ability in the riding. However all managed to circulate the coned area on their own by the end of the days instruction. This gave them a huge boost in confidence and self-belief, which was readily apparent by the animated conversations happening at the end of the day.

VOLUNTEERS

The volunteers did a fantastic job supporting and instructing the riders, without them the days would not have happened. This charity managed to get four regular instructor volunteers to attend every instructional event, with a further four attending each event as launch crew. This meant the level of attention to detail and competence of volunteers remained extremely high. All four instructors are committed to 2025 events.

DEMONSTRATION EVENTS

TBE was present at the Brit Motor Show this year. A three day event with a static stand which educated a lot of people about the charity. Other events from last year had proved to be costing the charity more money than it raised, and with severe restrictions on the charity funds this year a decision was made to cut back to local events only.

The Bike Experience review 2024

2024 NUMBERS

Due to reduced numbers of events there was a planned maximum of 36 places available over the six events. Of those, 30 places were taken up as there were six who failed to show up or cancelled at the very last moment. This will be addressed in 2025, and a list of reserves for the day will be established.

Riders impairments included - Paraplegia, Leg Amputee, Arm Amputee, Brachial Plexus, Stroke, MS, CP, Spina Bifida, PTSD, Traumatic Brain Injury.

Instructor and Volunteer - 35 different volunteers came to the instructional events in support of riders (Fully diverse group as previously mentioned)

Family and Friends - 75 attended with the riders

TBE in Numbers

TBE Stats 2014

Total 39 different riders. (58 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2015

Total 54 different riders (88 places due to repeats)

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Total 50 different riders (77 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2017

Total 35 different riders (55 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2018

Total 37 different riders (60 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2019

Total 45 different riders (72 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2020

Total 0 different riders (0 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2021

Total 0 different riders (0 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2022

Total 0 different riders (0 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2023

Total 24 different riders (32 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2024

Total 25 Different Riders (36 places due to repeats)

Total number of different clients of TBE since 2011 = 450

The Bike Experience review 2024

TBE Motorcycles

1x Honda Varadero 125cc (learner bike)
2x Aprilia Mana 850cc

TBE Equipment

1x Box Trailer, braked (14x6)
3x Rear Paddock Stands
12x. Held Protection rider equipment (Boots, Gloves, Two piece leathers)
1x Land Rover Discovery HSE

Financial Review

Reserves Policy

In view of the limited income of the Trust, the Trustees keep reviewed the policy regarding the appropriate income reserves to meet the needs of the Charity. In the current circumstances of limited income flow, the Trustees approve available cash should be utilized to support its charitable aims and that cash reserves should be maintained at a minimal level to meet immediate foreseeable expenses. If income flow increases, then the reserve policy will be reviewed.

This report was approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by



T S Skeels-Piggins
Founder of The Bike Experience

Date 25-6-25

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE BIKE EXPERIENCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024**

I report on the Accounts of The Bike Experience for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out on pages 8 to 10.

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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark T C Harvey FCA
Fuller Spurling
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Date

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Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
RECEIPTS				
Grants	23,470	3,500	26,970	39,199
Voluntary income				
- Donations and legacies	17,118	-	17,118	14,131
Receipts from sale of fixed assets	-	-	-	-
	40,588	3,500	44,088	53,330
PAYMENTS				
Charitable Activities (see note 1)	38,570	-	38,570	45,383
Governance Costs (see note 2)	1,066	-	1,066	1,040
	39,636	-	39,636	46,423
NET RECEIPTS /(PAYMENT) IN THE YEAR	952	3,500	4,452	6,907

Notes

1. The notes on page 10 form part of this statement.

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
FIXED ASSETS				
Bikes & Other Equipment At Cost or donated value	29,828	6,179	36,007	36,732
CASH FUNDS				
Cash at Bank	12,031	75	12,106	11,079
LIABILITIES				
Loans	4,850	-	4,850	4,850

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 25-6-25..... and signed on its behalf by


..... R O'Neill, Trustee

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Notes to the Receipts & Payments Account for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
1. Charitable Activities Payments				
Bike instructor costs	7,386	-	7,386	7,765
Bike repairs and maintenance	950	-	950	4,460
Fuel and other costs	2,032	-	2,032	2,625
Event promotions, advertising, and PR	11,705	-	11,705	13,318
Insurance	7,669	-	7,669	8,361
Workshop Rent and Rates	8,524	-	8,524	8,465
Web hosting fees	303	-	303	389
	38,570	-	38,570	45,383
2. Governance costs				
Accountancy fees	720	-	720	720
Bank charges	130	-	130	104
“Just Giving” Administrative Fees	216	-	216	216
	1,066	-	1,066	1,040
3. Restricted Funds				

Restricted funds of £2,754 relate to the “New Rider Project”. A smaller engine capacity motorbike was purchased in May 2014 for £2,000 and a donation of £2,000 was received in July 2014. In November 2014 the motorbike was converted for disabled peoples use at a cost of £960, this was paid for via the restricted fund brought forward with the balancing amount of £206 being taken from the unrestricted fund. The total value of £2,960 is included in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities under Bikes and Other Equipment.

Restricted funds of £3,500 relate to a new Aprilia Mana motorbike purchased in August 2024. This was purchased for £3,425 after receiving a donation of £3,500 in July 2024. The total value of £3,425 is included in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities under Bikes and Other Equipment with the remaining balance of £75 shown in the cash funds.

There are £75 restricted cash funds remaining at 31st December 2024, as mentioned above. The total value of restricted cash of £6,179 spent on bikes is shown in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as restricted assets.

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The Bike Experience restarted its instructional events in 2023 after an absence due to the Covid-19 Global Pandemic.

Summary report

The charity has been able to operate a reduced calendar due to the fundraising efforts of the Complete Fundraising company. There were seven instructional events and two fundraising events attended by the charity. Six instructional events took place at Silverstone on the Old Copse Runway, one instructional event at RAF ODIHAM, the fundraising events were at Prescott Bike Festival and Parallel Windsor.

Due to a break in operating, the instructional events ran with limited volunteers and riders. Each event would have three new riders and up to three returning riders. The returning riders would need to provide their own equipment and helpers. For those who had not attended for more than four years they were counted as a new rider.

One Aprilia Mana motorcycle was scrapped due to the deteriorating standard and the cost of getting it back into an operating state.

Looking ahead to 2024: We hope to run eight instructional events and increase that number if Complete Fundraising is able to increase the funds of the charity. RAF ODIHAM have ceased operating due to the fatality they experienced at their ARD in September 2023.

Full Report

In 2023 The Bike Experience has been busy preparing bikes, instructing riders and demonstrating to crowds. The initial stage was the preparation of bikes and equipment, as well as finding a suitable venue that was also affordable. After much discussions it was decided to accept the offer from Silverstone to run the instructional events at the Old Copse Runway. The costs were more than previous years but over £1,000 cheaper (per event) than at either Bicester Heritage or Donington.

The next problem was finding Public Liability Insurance. Over the years the charity has been in operation there has never been an accident involving any member of the public observing or taking part in the charity. However, we are required to have PLI and so tried to find affordable cover. Eventually we were able to source the cover for £6,720, which was a huge increase from £4,000 in 2019, but not as bad as some companies that were quoting £12,000.

The bikes were serviced, repaired and prepared for the coming season. The leathers and riding equipment was all checked and the large trailer also serviced. The final preparation was the organising of the volunteers needed to run each event. We had planned three 'new riders' and a maximum of three 'returning riders'. New riders are those who have never been, returning are those who have been to a TBE before, but do not get the opportunity to ride anywhere else. For example, one returning rider can only ride with TBE as he has a brain injury and is not allowed to ride on the road or on any race track. We provide the only place for him to enjoy the freedom of two wheels. In order to support the riders we need a team of twelve volunteers. There are three instructors, and nine 'launch crew'.

The Bike Experience review 2023

MAY

In May we had a pair of back-to-back instructional events, both of which were fully booked for new riders and each had two returning riders. The days were blessed with sunshine and everyone turned up excited and nervous to get on two wheels.

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The six new riders all progressed to the final stage of the TBE instructional event. Each one felt a huge sense of achievement and of self-belief. The friends and family of the riders saw the joy on their faces and witnessed a new light shining in the eyes of the riders. There were five paralysed riders, one leg amputee, one brain injury and two stroke victims.

JULY

The third and fourth TBE instructional events took place on the 25th and 26th July. We were back at Silverstone and enjoyed another 'dry weather' window. The temperatures were not as high as before, so riders were not quite so baked in their leathers.

Over the course of the two days we had eight riders attend. It was a mixture of impairments: MS, Paraplegic, Amputee, TBI, Reduced mobility. No matter the impairment, each rider made progress throughout the day, and everyone was enjoying solo riding around the TBE course by the end of the session.

The second of the two days saw TBE visited by two representatives from the Mark Master Masons. It was the Mark Master Masons that generously donated the funds that enabled the charity to buy the Land Rover which tows the TBE trailer. Without the donation we would not be able to transport any of the equipment, so we are extremely grateful to them.

SEPTEMBER

There were three events in September, two at Silverstone and one at RAF Odiham. Once again we were extremely lucky with the weather and enjoyed three more days of sunshine.

At Silverstone we hosted ten riders over two days and at RAF Odiham we had four riders. At both events it was a 50/50 mix of riders who were there for the first time and riders who had been before (although be it for some, about nine years ago).

Due to peoples experience and function, there was a spread of ability in the riding. However all managed to circulate the coned area on their own by the end of the days instruction. This gave them a huge boost in confidence and self-belief, which was readily apparent by the animated conversations happening at the end of the day.

The Bike Experience review 2023

Odiham began really well, but unfortunately due to an incident on the airfield which was totally separate to what the charity was doing, the day came to end at lunchtime rather than in the afternoon. The riders had quickly progressed on that day, so all had experienced independent riding of the circuit laid out.

VOLUNTEERS

The volunteers did a fantastic job supporting and instructing the riders, without them the days would not have happened. This year there was a plan to have the same volunteers come for all the events, and the charity managed to get four volunteers (in addition to Talan and Dan) attend every instructional event, with a further four getting to at least five of the seven events. This meant the level of attention to detail and competence of volunteers remained extremely high. Most are already saying they will commit to next year's events as well.

DEMONSTRATION EVENTS

TBE was present at two events where we were able to engage with a larger audience. There was a riding demonstration at the Prescott Bike Festival (25th June) then a static display at Parallel Windsor (2nd July). The Prescott Bike Festival allowed Talan the opportunity to run the famous Prescott Hill Climb, which is the home of the Bugatti Club. Although just put on for one day, there was a large crowd and many cheered on as the charity founder launched from the start line to climb the hill. As well as demonstrating, there was a lunchtime interview with Steve Parrish, which allowed Talan to explain the adaptations to the bike and how the charity operates. Parallel Windsor was a static display and the team (led by Dan) was able to explain the charity and hand out information leaflets. Within days a number of people had already called to book onto the instructional events.

2023 NUMBERS

Riders - 32 places taken up (Impairments - Paraplegia, Tetraplegia, Leg Amputee, Arm Amputee, Brachial Plexus, Stroke, MS, CP, Spina Bifida, PTSD, Nerve Damage)

Instructor and Volunteer - 60 places filled in support of riders (Fully diverse group)

Family and Friends - 80 attended with the riders

TBE in Numbers

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Total 39 different riders. (58 places due to repeats)

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Total 54 different riders (88 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2016

Total 50 different riders (77 places due to repeats)

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Total 35 different riders (55 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2018

Total 37 different riders (60 places due to repeats)

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TBE Stats 2019

Total 45 different riders (72 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2020

Total 0 different riders (0 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2021

Total 0 different riders (0 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2022

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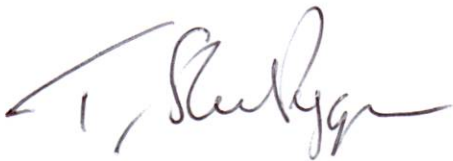
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Date 22/10/24

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Date 23/10/2024

The Bike Experience

Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
RECEIPTS				
Grants	39,199	-	39,199	18,860
Voluntary income				
- Donations and legacies	14,131	-	14,131	5,251
Receipts from sale of fixed assets	-	-	-	1,000
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	53,330	-	53,330	25,111
PAYMENTS				
Charitable Activities (see note 1)	45,383	-	45,383	12,486
Governance Costs (see note 2)	1,040	-	1,040	1,031
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TOTAL PAYMENTS	46,423	-	46,423	13,517
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NET RECEIPTS /(PAYMENT) IN THE YEAR	6,907	-	6,907	11,594
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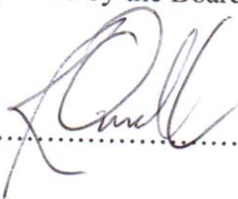
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Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
FIXED ASSETS				
Bikes & Other Equipment At Cost or donated value	<u>33,978</u>	<u>2,754</u>	<u>36,732</u>	<u>18,637</u>
CASH FUNDS				
Cash at Bank	<u>11,079</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,079</u>	<u>22,266</u>
LIABILITIES				
Loans	<u>4,850</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,850</u>	<u>4,850</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 22/10/24 and signed on its behalf by

 R O'Neill, Trustee

The Bike Experience

Notes to the Receipts & Payments Account for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
1. Charitable Activities Payments				
Bike instructor costs	7,765	-	7,765	-
Bike repairs and maintenance	4,460	-	4,460	600
Fuel and other costs	2,625	-	2,625	143
Event promotions, advertising, and PR	13,318	-	13,318	3,117
Insurance	8,361	-	8,361	-
Workshop Rent and Rates	8,465	-	8,465	8,403
Web hosting fees	389	-	389	223
	45,383	-	45,383	12,486
2. Governance costs				
Accountancy fees	720	-	720	720
Bank charges	104	-	104	95
“Just Giving” Administrative Fees	216	-	216	216
	1,040	-	1,040	1,031
3. Restricted Funds				

Restricted funds of £2,754 relate to the “New Rider Project”. A smaller engine capacity motorbike was purchased in May 2014 for £2,000 and a donation of £2,000 was received in July 2014. In November 2014 the motorbike was converted for disabled peoples use at a cost of £960, this was paid for via the restricted fund brought forward with the balancing amount of £206 being taken from the unrestricted fund. The total value of £2,960 is included in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities under Bikes and Other Equipment.

There are no restricted cash funds remaining at 31st December 2023, but the total value of restricted cash of £2,754 spent on bikes is shown in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as restricted assets.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2022.

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Number : 1145547

Principal Address : 75 The Meadows
Lyndhurst
Hampshire
SO48 7EJ

Independent Examiners : Fuller Spurling
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors
Mill House
58 Guildford Street
Chertsey
Surrey KT16 9BE

Trustees

The Trustees serving during the period and since the period end were as follows:

H Tomlinson
R O'Neill
R Docker

The Bike Experience

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The charity is constituted as a Trust and its governing document is its Trust Deed dated 6th January 2011.

Appointment of Trustees

Trustees are selected and invited to join the Board of Trustees by existing Trustees and the appointment of Trustees is vested with the Trustees.

Objectives and Main Activities in Relation to the Objectives and the Public Benefit

The objectives of the charity are:

TO PROMOTE THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF DISABLED PEOPLE WHO WOULD OTHERWISE BE EXCLUDED BY ENABLING THEM TO ENJOY THE PLEASURES AND BENEFITS OF RIDING A MOTORCYCLE BY THE PROVISION OF ADAPTED AND MODIFIED MOTORCYCLES AND ADVICE IN A CLOSED ROAD ENVIRONMENT.

Core values of the charity are:

FREEDOM – Giving back the feelings of independence through riding a motorcycle, thereby empowering individuals with the right of choice and equality, so that they can experience the passion and emotions that riding brings.

ACHIEVEMENT – Showing people that you can achieve great things when you believe you can, that you have a huge resource of power, courage and bravery inside you, to make the impossible into the possible and improve self-confidence.

EVOLUTION - Bringing together able-bodied and disabled people so that the established boundaries are broken down and myths of disability are deconstructed on both sides, allowing everyone to ride together, side by side.

All activities are provided without cost to the individual wishing to participate in The Bike Experience programmed of instruction.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's General Guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing the Charity's aim and objectives in planning future activity.

The Bike Experience review 2022

The Bike Experience did not run in 2022 due to the continued impact from the Covid-19 Global Pandemic.

The charity would like to thank all those who have supported the 2022 season, through financial contributions, maintenance of equipment, increased awareness, social media.

In order to generate income and enable us to move on from the impact of Covid-19 and put us on a secure footing to move forward, we have allocated resources to fundraising so that approaches can be made to trusts and foundations, wealthy individual and corporate.

The SV650 motorcycles were scrapped due to the deteriorating standard and the cost of getting them back into an operating state.

Looking ahead to 2023

Whilst there is a 'return to events' plan in place, the charity will have to wait for the pandemic and restrictions to ease before committing to a new season of instructing. Due to the nature of the riders, with many being classed as vulnerable due to their disability, there is a vital need to be careful and prudent about returning to events.

Due to the financial demands there will be a revision of client numbers per event. Whilst the charity needs adapted motorcycles and riding equipment to protect clients, the maximum number for each instructional event will be six (instead of nine).

A push will also be to recruit new regular instructors and launch crew, as a number of regular team members have left the areas the charity operates within and cannot provide their support.

TBE in Numbers

TBE Stats 2014

Total 39 different riders. (58 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2015

Total 54 different riders (88 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2016

Total 50 different riders (77 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2017

Total 35 different riders (55 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2018

Total 37 different riders (60 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2019

Total 45 different riders (72 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2020

Total 0 different riders (0 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2021

Total 0 different riders (0 places due to repeats)

TBE Stats 2022

Total 0 different riders (0 places due to repeats)

Total number of clients of TBE since 2011 = 401

TBE Motorcycles

1x Honda Varadero 125cc (learner bike)

2x Aprilia Mana 850cc

TBE Equipment

1x Box Trailer, braked (14x6)

3x Rear Paddock Stands

12x. Held Protection rider equipment (Boots, Gloves, Two piece leathers)

Financial Review

Reserves Policy

In view of the limited income of the Trust, the Trustees keep reviewed the policy regarding the appropriate income reserves to meet the needs of the Charity. In the current circumstances of limited income flow, the Trustees approve available cash should be utilized to support its charitable aims and that cash reserves should be maintained at a minimal level to meet immediate foreseeable expenses. If income flow increases, then the reserve policy with be reviewed.

This report was approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by

T S Skeels-Piggins
Founder of The Bike Experience

Date

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE BIKE EXPERIENCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022**

I report on the Accounts of The Bike Experience for the year ended 31st December 2022 which are set out on pages 7 to 9.

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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark T C Harvey FCA
Fuller Spurling
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Mill House
58 Guildford Street
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Date

The Bike Experience

Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
RECEIPTS				
Grants	18,860	-	18,860	-
Voluntary income				
- Donations and legacies	5,251	-	5,251	3,231
Receipts from sale of fixed assets	1,000	-	1,000	3,500
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	25,111	-	25,111	6,731
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PAYMENTS				
Charitable Activities (see note 1)	12,486	-	12,486	9,457
Governance Costs (see note 2)	1,031	-	1,031	1,020
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TOTAL PAYMENTS	13,517	-	13,517	10,477
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NET RECEIPTS /(PAYMENT) IN THE YEAR	11,594	-	11,594	(3,746)
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Notes

1. The notes on page 9 form part of this statement.

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2022

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
FIXED ASSETS				
Bikes & Other Equipment At Cost or donated value	15,883	2,754	18,637	24,337
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CASH FUNDS				
Cash at Bank	22,266	-	22,266	10,673
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LIABILITIES				
Loans	4,850	-	4,850	-
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Approved by the Board of Trustees on and signed on its behalf by

..... R O'Neill, Trustee

The Bike Experience

Notes to the Receipts & Payments Account for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
1. Charitable Activities Payments				
Bike repairs and maintenance	600	-	600	-
Fuel and other costs	143	-	143	-
Event promotions, advertising, and PR	3,117	-	3,117	-
Insurance	-	-	-	866
Workshop Rent and Rates	8,403	-	8,403	8,169
Web hosting fees	223	-	223	422
	12,486	-	12,486	9,457
2. Governance costs				
Accountancy fees	720		720	720
Bank charges	95	-	95	84
“Just Giving” Administrative Fees	216	-	216	216
	1,031		1,031	1,020
3. Restricted Funds				

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The Virtual Reality Bike, that can be taken to SCI centres/rehab centres/groups, continues to be a work in progress. The company continually say they will be working on the project 'next month' due to work commitments, although the charity is gradually losing hope that they will ever come true to their word. This will take the form of a donated motorcycle on a plinth, with a screen or headset. The client will be assisted to sit on the bike, or next to it and have the sensation of being taken around a track. There will also be the interaction between the motorcycle controls and the computer simulation, so the client can be responsible for part or full control of the motorcycle.

Due to the continual demand of client numbers, the charity needs six motorcycles and riding equipment to protect up to nine clients (the maximum number reached to date) for each instructional event.

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1 x Double Bike trailer

3 x Rear Paddock Stands

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12 x LS2 Helmets

Financial Review

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T S Skeels-Piggins
Founder of The Bike Experience

Date 1-7-21

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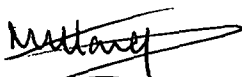
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Date 14/7/2021

The Bike Experience

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	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Restricted Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
RECEIPTS				
Grants	-	-	-	-
Voluntary income				
- Donations and legacies	9,303	-	9,303	22,438
- Donated assets	-	-	-	-
Bank interest	-	-	-	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	9,303	-	9,303	22,438
PAYMENTS				
Charitable Activities (see note 1)	5,880	-	5,880	16,561
Governance Costs (see note 2)	9,288	-	9,288	9,441
TOTAL PAYMENTS	15,168	-	15,168	26,002
NET PAYMENTS IN THE YEAR	(5,865)	-	(5,865)	(3,564)
FUNDS B/FWD @ 1/1/20	56,816	-	56,816	60,380
FUNDS C/FWD 31/12/20	50,951	-	50,951	56,816

Notes

- The notes on page 8 form part of this statement.

The Bike Experience

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2020

	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Restricted Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
FIXED ASSETS				
Bikes & Other Equipment				
At Cost or donated value	<u>33,778</u>	<u>2,754</u>	<u>36,532</u>	<u>36,532</u>
CASH FUNDS				
Cash at Bank	<u>14,419</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,419</u>	<u>20,284</u>
LIABILITIES				
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 1st July 2021 and signed on its behalf by

R O'Neill R O'Neill, Trustee

The Bike Experience

Notes to the Receipts & Payments Account for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Restricted Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
1. Charitable Activities Payments				
Bike Instructors costs	-	-	-	9,328
Bike repairs and maintenance	546	-	546	314
Fuel and other costs	-	-	-	811
Event promotions, advertising and PR	-	-	-	822
PPI Insurance	5,334	-	5,334	5,286
	5,880	-	5,880	16,561
2. Governance costs				
Accountancy fees	834	-	834	810
Bank charges	72	-	72	101
“Just Giving” Administrative Fees	216	-	216	216
Workshop Rent and Rates	8,166	-	8,166	8,199
Web hosting fees	-	-	-	115
	9,288	-	9,288	9,441
3. Restricted Funds				

Restricted funds of £2754 relate to the “New Rider Project”. A smaller engine capacity motorbike was purchased in May 2014 for £2,000 and a donation of £2,000 was received in July 2014. In November 2014 the motorbike was converted for disabled peoples use at a cost of £960, this was paid for via the restricted fund brought forward with the balancing amount of £206 being taken from the unrestricted fund. The total value of £2,960 is included in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities under Bikes and Other Equipment.

There are no restricted cash funds remaining at 31 December 2020, but the total value of restricted cash of £2754 spent on bikes is shown in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as restricted assets.