

**RIDGEBACK RESCUE  
TRUSTEES' REPORT, EXAMINER'S REPORT  
PROFIT & LOSS AND BALANCE SHEET  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

Footprints Accountancy

CIMA

24 Gander Lane  
Barlborough  
Chesterfield  
S43 4PZ



**RIDGEBACK RESCUE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

---

<b>Contents</b>	<b>Page</b>
<a href="#"><u>Trustees' Report</u></a>	3-5
<a href="#"><u>Responsibilities of the Trustees</u></a>	6
<a href="#"><u>Examiner's Report</u></a>	7
<a href="#"><u>Profit &amp; Loss Account</u></a>	8
<a href="#"><u>Balance Sheet</u></a>	9



**RIDGEBACK RESCUE  
TRUSTEES' REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

---

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2022.

**Introduction**

The details as set out below are those required by the Charities Commission.

**Legal Status**

Ridgeback Rescue (formerly The Midlands & Northern Ridgeback Support & Rescue Trust) is constituted by a deed of Trust, and is registered as charity number 1146704.

**Trustees**

Ms Julie Robinson  
Mr Kevin Blackwell  
Mrs Kerry Rhodes  
Mr Tyler Rhodes  
Mrs Sheridan Gray  
Ms Helen Crowe  
Mrs Lisa Edwards

All trustees have acted for the entirety of the financial year.

**Objectives of Ridgeback Rescue**

The objectives of the charity are to provide appropriate care, protection, treatment, security and support for Rhodesian Ridgebacks; to relieve suffering and distress where necessary to find suitable permanent new homes for such animals; and to educate and advise both Rhodesian Ridgeback owners and the wider public in matters pertaining to the health, welfare and the prevention of cruelty and suffering of these dogs.

**Organisation**

The management of the charity is under the control of the trustees. The trustees shall have power to deal with any matters not covered by the charity's rules.



**RIDGEBACK RESCUE  
TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

---

**Review of Developments, Activities & Achievements**

The hangover from Brexit and the Pandemic continues to be a struggle for the entire country. Add to this the extenuating effects of Russia's invasion of Ukraine on the price of living, and we are once again seeing the whole of the global economy taking a severe hit, not just the world of Rescue. The war and the connected effects, particularly on fuel prices, has rippled through everything from food, materials, wages, fuel and even heating. Bills have gone up for everything and this certainly includes dog food (raw and dry) which we know our loyal hounds devour heartily! This by itself is enough to be the straw that breaks the camel's back for some people and to force them into an incredibly difficult dilemma.

We continued our policy of NOT renting kennel space annually; favouring instead an approach of paying for any kennelling from private organisations as and when it was needed. This decision has paid dividends and saved us paying out an enormous amount of "empty cash" throughout 2022.

Our outgoings for kennelling were: £470

We continue to use the "in house" skills of one of our Trustees who is a qualified behaviourist for all complex assessments, and another of our Trustees as a foster option, should that be required. These two facilities have massively reduced the need to bring in outside assistance and with it cut down the outgoings they would have brought.

Our outgoings fostering were: £3057

It is heart-warming to see that the Scottish Ridgeback club is still very much supporting our charity, and is splitting their fundraising efforts equally.

Fundraising this year has encompassed auctions, sponsored events and a huge return from the products we have selected to stock in our online shop. Our range is constantly being updated and we now have more choice than ever. Dogmatic head-collars have always proven to be very popular but there has been a hiatus with these due to supply issues. We are, however, confident we will again have access to these in 2023. Our coats and fleeces are always very much in demand and we will continue to offer range of clothing products that we feel are perfect for our beautiful Ridgebacks.

Our outgoing expenses for merchandise this year were: £10909

This year, due to the world getting back on its feet following Covid, we decided not to hold our anticipated annual Fun Day. Rather than put on a half-hearted event which could possibly have a low footfall and therefore waste our precious funds, we decided to put this off until 2023 with the hopes of coming back bigger and brighter next year. The 2023 venue is secured and booked so we look forward to that in September. A specific meeting to discuss the plans and requirements for the Fun Day has been scheduled for the early part of 2023. We have secured attendance from both our Patron, Yorkshire Vet Julian Norton, and also Bargain Hunt TV presenter and antiques expert Caroline Hawley. Caroline has kindly agreed to come along to our Fun Day next year to auction off some lots for us and drum up more publicity and funds.

Our supporters continue to participate in the Weather Lottery, Easy Fund Raising and also Amazon Smile but we understand the Smile option will terminate in 2023, which is a shame as it was so easy to use and generated funds for us so very effectively.

Our largest outgoings for the year were enabling us to purchase merchandise but, as said above, this was an outgoing well worth spending as it has recouped much more than we have spent. With the sad loss of several of our older, more expensive dogs from a veterinary care standpoint, we have had much less expenditure with our vet bills this year and thankfully Eli on whom we had to spend so much last year, continues to go from strength to strength with no further problems.

Our outgoings for veterinary care, medicine and procedures were: £19189



**RIDGEBACK RESCUE  
TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

---

The war in Ukraine has caused the price of fuel to rocket. This has increased the prices of pretty much every single thing and thus the cost of living crisis really is ramping up. Many people are finding that they simply cannot afford to feed their dogs and pay for their veterinary care when everything else is already so much more expensive. In several cases we have seen people who can no longer afford to pay their mortgages, forcing them to sell up, move to rented accommodation and, as a result, having to give up their dearly loved hound. We are just glad we are here as a safety net. Rescue is not a world for the faint hearted.

With the country just starting to get back on its feet following the Pandemic, people have begun to return to work. This has brought the anticipated repercussions of dogs being surrendered as their owners are no longer able to be at home during the day, and many people are seeking help and advice after returning to work and finding their dogs are suffering with separation anxiety, having never been left since they arrived as "lock-down pups". Where possible, our behaviourist has been able to guide owners through to help them work with their dogs behaviours so that they might be able to keep them. Where this has not been possible, we have had quite a job to find knowledgeable, experienced owners who are both willing and able to work with their challenging behaviour and accommodate that which cannot be changed.

The number of people seeking help, advice or support for their dogs through our charity was 75

The number of dogs being surrendered to us this year was 36

The number of dogs fostered prior to rehoming was 5

Lastly, I would to thank our Trustees who have worked tirelessly and managed to continue their own full time employment and yet still gave of themselves fully, working seamlessly as a team and put in hours of work on top of their day to day responsibilities.

As last year, our Charity goes from strength to strength with a bank balance, moral and reputation being at an all-time high.

Our funds at the close of play for 2022 were : £115100 which was up by £1180 from year end 2021.

We continue to strive for progression in advice, education and all round support for the breed to which we are all so devoted.

Kerry Rhodes,  
Chairman – Ridgeback Rescue



**RIDGEBACK RESCUE  
RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

---

**Responsibilities of the Trustees**

The Charities Act requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for every financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the surplus, or the deficiency for the year.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to select suitable accounting policies, and then apply them on a consistent basis, making judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable. The trustees must also prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The report was approved by the Trustees on  
and is signed on their behalf by Mrs Kerry Rhodes

-----

-----



**RIDGEBACK RESCUE  
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

---

**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").

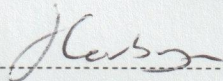
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention 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.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_



Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

12/4/23

Footprints Accountancy  
CIMA  
24 Gander Lane  
Barlborough  
Chesterfield  
S43 4PZ



**RIDGEBACK RESCUE  
DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
<b>TURNOVER</b>				
Sales	19,594		13,805	
Adoption, rehoming & fostering	14,821		9,785	
Pet insurances	-		209	
Donations	15,903		16,225	
Training Services	164		719	
Funding	<u>2,654</u>		<u>1,150</u>	
		53,136		41,892
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>				
Interest receivable		<u>112</u>		<u>3</u>
		53,248		41,895
<b>DIRECT COSTS</b>				
Merchandise purchases	10,909		7,705	
Veterinary fees	19,189		5,937	
Kennel fees	3,057		2,932	
Shows & events	<u>-</u>		<u>172</u>	
		(33,156)		(16,746)
<b>OTHER CHARGES</b>				
<i>Premises expenses:</i>				
Storage	<u>1,775</u>		<u>1,843</u>	
	<u>1,775</u>		<u>1,843</u>	
<i>General administrative costs:</i>				
Insurance	860		666	
Printing, postage & stationary	1,443		343	
Accountancy	462		420	
Donations	550		-	
Office costs	519		606	
Training	1,235		-	
Sundry	376		-	
Telecommunications	74		66	
Subscriptions	<u>-</u>		<u>50</u>	
	<u>5,519</u>		<u>2,151</u>	
		(7,294)		(3,994)
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>		<u>12,798</u>		<u>21,154</u>



**RIDGEBACK RESCUE  
BALANCE SHEET  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Bank accounts	117,361		103,921	
Stock	2,500		2,500	
Loan to trustee	2,300		2,900	
	<u>122,161</u>		<u>109,321</u>	
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
Creditors & Accruals	(462)		(420)	
	<u>(462)</u>		<u>(420)</u>	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)</b>		<u>121,699</u>		<u>108,901</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u><u>121,699</u></u>		<u><u>108,901</u></u>
<b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>				
Balance as at 1st January 2022		108,901		87,747
Net profit for the year		<u>12,798</u>		<u>21,154</u>
Balance as at 31st December 2022		<u><u>121,699</u></u>		<u><u>108,901</u></u>