



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date

From

Period end date

To

1st
Sept
2020

31st
August
2021

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Makants Greyhound Rescue NW

Other names charity is known by

Makants

1161079

Registered charity number (if any)

Makants Farm

Charity's principal address

Mort Lane

Tyldesley

Postcode
M29 8PF

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)

Siobhan Hopley
Founder, Trustee & Chair of the Trustees

Appointment by Charity Trustees

1

Sue Sewell
Trustee & Rehoming Assessor

Appointment by Charity Trustees

2

David Balmer
Trustee & Treasurer

Appointment by Charity Trustees

3

Fiona Hughes
Trustee & Fund Raising
10/3/21

Appointment by Charity Trustees

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Wendy Draper
Trustee & Fund Raising
10/3/21
Appointment by Charity Trustees

Joanne Maxwell
Trustee & Social Media
10/3/21
Appointment by Charity Trustees

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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name

Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser

Name

Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Constitution

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Charitable incorporated organisation

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

By appointment

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Makants is an independent specialist ex-racing greyhound rescue registered charity funded wholly by donations. Its charitable activities do not support or promote regulated and/or unregulated greyhound racing and/or any associated activities.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

- *For the benefit to the public to relieve the suffering of abandoned and ex-racing greyhounds and to promote humane behaviour towards the greyhounds by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for the dogs in need of attention by reason of retirement, abandonment, mistreatment or ill usage.*
- *To re-home/foster the greyhounds in line with Makants' strict re-homing/fostering policy.*
- *To educate the public regarding responsible dog ownership and to offer comprehensive help to all adopters/fosterers of ex racing greyhounds.*

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the charity commission on public benefit)

*In order to maintain the day to day care for its rescued ex-racing greyhounds, Makants' charitable trustees supported by a team of exceptionally dedicated volunteers raise funds by way of store and street collections, car boot sales, auctions, raffles and other activities, such as summer and Christmas fairs and local dogs shows. **It is noteworthy that during the pandemic and associated government restrictions, including a period of lockdown, in 2020 & 2021, Makants' volunteers continued to fund raise by holding online auctions and other socially distanced activities.***

*In addition, a raft of other tasks are undertaken by the trustees and volunteers such as administration, social media communications/updates, re-homing checks, fostering dogs, transporting dogs for veterinary care and attendance at fund raising events. Raising awareness of the plight of racing greyhounds and educating the public about responsible dog ownership with an offer of comprehensive help to all adopters/fosterers is an integral part of Makants' work and this is woven into all its activities. By way of example, volunteers are welcomed each day to assist with the collective group afternoon walk which ensures each kennelled dog receives appropriate daily exercise, can be assessed in a group situation and allows individuals to 'get to know' the breed and the work undertaken by Makants; this support is invaluable on many levels. **It is noteworthy that during the pandemic and associated government restrictions, including a period of lockdown, in 2020 & 2021 - and to the credit of all those who volunteer their support, these tasks were able to continue throughout to the extent permissible by the government.***

Experience to date has shown that in many instances, the rescue of an ex-racing greyhound is an acute situation whereby third parties will make the dog available to Makants at short notice with no financial donation. Dogs that are taken in are often in need of basic care and veterinary treatment, with some inevitably having more complex medical needs such as epilepsy, impacted vertebrae, gum disease, chronic fracture injuries or amputated toes giving rise to joint/mobility issues and tail injuries; all of which Makants has experienced and dealt with.

*Makants implements a strategy of spaying and neutering all greyhounds within two weeks of rescue unless the dog is prior neutered, in season or the veterinary surgeon advises otherwise, in which case spaying or neutering will be undertaken when advised by the veterinary surgeon irrespective of whether the dog is kennelled, fostered or adopted. **It is noteworthy that during the pandemic and associated government restrictions, including a period of lockdown, in 2020 & 2021, Makants' strategy of spaying and neutering all rescued greyhounds continued.***

*A positive focus is placed on assessing and rehabilitating each and every dog received so they may be successfully rehomed and enjoy a normal life - a healthy dog is never euthanized and this is Makants' promise to each and every dog that it receives. **It is noteworthy that during the pandemic and associated government restrictions, including a period of lockdown, in 2020 & 2021, Makants' kept its promise to every dog.***

Each dog's adoption is conditional and subject to the new owner entering into a written adoption agreement with Makants, whereby the new owner agrees:

- *to guarantee the health and wellbeing of the dog.*
- *to maintain yearly vaccination boosters.*
- *not to allow the dog to stray unsupervised.*
- *to ensure the dog wears a collar at all times with owners details and the disc Makants provides.*
- *not to pass the dog to any third party without Makants' written consent.*
- *to abide by Makants' spaying & neutering policy.*

- to allow a representative from Makants to visit to ensure the dog's welfare and care is appropriate.
- any breach of the contract allows Makants to reclaim the dog.

Each adoption is subject to the satisfactory completion of a vetting process to ensure the prospective home offered by a new owner meets the needs of the dog.

It is noteworthy that during the pandemic and associated government restrictions, including a period of lockdown, in 2020 & 2021, Makants' was able to maintain its conditional adoption protocol.

Makants' charitable trustees are aware of the statutory declaration and guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

As a self-funding charity, Makants relies heavily on its team of local volunteers to raise funds to cover the day to day running costs of the rescue and promote its charitable values.

Makants has a strict policy that all rescued dogs are fully assessed, neutered, vaccinated and micro-chipped prior to rehoming; in addition, specialist veterinary treatment can be required from time to time. This is where the majority of its fund raising is spent.

Makants operates independently however is in communication with other greyhound rescues i.e. Birmingham Greyhound Protection and mutually collaborates in emergency situations to assist in the best interests of the greyhound(s) involved.

Makants values the significant and generous support given on many levels by all its volunteers, the local community and the donations received from two generous benefactors; all contributions are appreciated and gratefully received.

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Makants has been able to maintain a highly motivated team of volunteers who have ensured that the care of its rescued ex-racing greyhounds has been of prime importance and a consistent achievement during the past year.

During its financial year 2020/21, Makants has:

- rescued and rehomed **74** ex-racing greyhounds in line with its strict re-homing/fostering policy and been able to offer comprehensive help to all adopters/fosterers. **It is to the credit of all those who volunteer their support that Makants' was able to achieve this rehoming rate given the pandemic and associated government restrictions, including a period of lockdown in 2020 & 2021.***
- This demonstrates **(despite the continuing pandemic)** a consistent, positive annual rehoming rate from 2019/20 (**73** rescued and rehomed ex-racing greyhounds), 2018/19 (**83** rescued and rehomed ex-racing greyhounds), 2017/18 (**91** rescued and rehomed ex-racing greyhounds which included by exception the rescue, vaccination etc and successfully rehoming of a brooding bitch and all of her litter of 9 greyhound puppies (4 weeks old)), 2016/17 (**72** rescued and rehomed ex-racing greyhounds) and 2015/16 (**57** rescued and rehomed ex-racing greyhounds) which reflects the dedicated commitment supporting this charity.*
- made continuous necessary maintenance improvements to its existing kennel facilities. This included the installation of CCTV (at a cost of £2,800) throughout the kennelling facility due to onsite security concerns with cameras fitted to enhance the safety of the kennelled greys.*
- promoted humane behaviour towards the greyhounds by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for the dogs in need of attention by reason of retirement, abandonment, mistreatment or ill usage.*
- been able to educate the public regarding responsible and safe dog ownership, not least by its attendance at many public events where information has been made available and members of the public have been able to seek guidance and advice and necessary equipment such as leads, harnesses, coats and muzzles (if required) but also online.*

Brief statement of the charity’s policy on reserves

<p><i>Makants, as a growing voluntary charity working directly to improve the welfare of ex-racing greyhounds, aims to achieve its objective to at least maintain and, if possible, increase its cash reserve of c £212,645 to ensure:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• it can maintain an appropriate contingency fund (equivalent to 12 months’ operating costs) is maintained to support, sustain, improve and assure continuity of future operations.</i> <i>• it can fund any exceptional and urgent welfare rescues which may require exceptional and costly funding for veterinary treatment and feeding care.</i> <i>• it can continue to accept more complex rescues where the ex-racing greyhound may require extended rehabilitation and kennelling rather than selecting only those greyhounds that may be more easily rehomed.</i> <i>• it can accumulate (in a high interest deposit account) a cash deposit towards its long-term strategic aim to purchase of a suitable property for Makants’ kennels to be permanently located at.</i> 	<p><i>None</i></p>
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Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity’s principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc.)

Date



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Makants Greyhound Rescue NW

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 August 2021

**Charity no
(if any)** **1161079**

Set out on pages

Receipts and Payments pages 1&2

(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 / 08 / 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:

21-3-2022

Name:

A R Unsworth

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

Chartered Accountant

Address:

C/O Makants Greyhound Rescue

Makants Farm, Mort Lane

Tyldesley, M29 8PF

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
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No (if any)
1161079

CC16a

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 1 Sept 2020	To	Period end date 31 August 2021
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	61,957	20,000	-	81,957	64,471
Fundraising Events	34,326	-	-	34,326	38,753
Bank Interest Received	217	-	-	217	685
					-
					-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	96,500	20,000	-	116,500	103,909
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	96,500	20,000	-	116,500	103,909
A3 Payments					
Dog Food and Care	3,607	-	-	3,607	5,128
Vet Fees	3,149	20,000	-	23,149	14,192
Insurance	721	-	-	721	721
Kennel Services	18,700	-	-	18,700	14,107
Building Running Costs	3,143	490	-	3,633	3,384
Transport Costs	2,077	-	-	2,077	1,476
Cost of Fundraising Events	11,381	-	-	11,381	3,085
Cost of Sale of Goods	-	-	-	-	-
Printing, Post, Stationery & Computer Supplies	407	-	-	407	654
Grants and Donations Paid	-	-	-	-	605
Bank Interest and Charges	380	-	-	380	323
Miscellaneous	77	-	-	77	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	43,642	20,490	-	64,132	43,675
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	43,642	20,490	-	64,132	43,675
Net of receipts/(payments)	52,858	- 490	-	52,368	60,234
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	150,777	9,500	-	160,277	100,043
Cash funds this year end	203,635	9,010	-	212,645	160,277

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Account and PayPal	203,635	9,010	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

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B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
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			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
SD Sewell	S D SEWELL	14.3.22



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