

Chair Report for Charity Commission 01/10/2022 – 30/09/2023

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document and Charity Constitution

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Appointment of New Trustees

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Charity's Objectives

The Charity's original objectives are as stated in the Governing Document (Constitution)

- The promotion, as the governing body of the sport of British TREC, of community participation in healthy recreation in horse riding.
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A further year on from COVID-19 as members have increased their activities and confidence in travelling, TREC GB continued to fulfil these objectives by supporting the organisation and delivery of both Summer and Winter TREC competitions, and also delivering a number and range of training sessions (aimed at ensuring competition officials are able to retain consistency in standard of competition organisation and judging across the country). We also continued to enhance the understanding and implementation of Safeguarding throughout TREC GB. A review of TREC GB policies and procedures was initiated and continues through the year.

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Over the Summer, competitions and training events were able to go ahead in 2021 and we were able to hold 21 affiliated summer competitions, compared with 34 in the previous year. This year, we combined our two Championships to hold a single competition which was based in Bibury, Gloucestershire. This event attracted the largest ever number of competitors at a TREC competition, with just under 150 horse and rider combinations competing.

The number of training and TREC Camps over the Spring and Summer period has been maintained and these attract people who are not ready (or do not wish) to ride in competition.

Organisers are required to fully Risk Assess their event and put in place mitigating measures as required to comply with any restrictions and guidelines in place at the time.

TREC GB continues to support its sixteen affiliated clubs throughout the year.

Membership increased compared with the previous year. This increase continues as members become more confident after the pandemic and with the resumption of more 'normal' activities. People have started to return to the same level of riding or competition as before the pandemic. The option of membership 'autorenewal' has been widely accepted by our members and has increased the number of members rejoining at the beginning of our membership year, which is particularly important for Red members and 'rolling membership' for Blue members encouraged people to join throughout the year.

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Britain was able to send a junior duo team to compete at the FITE TREC European Championships which were held in August at Riocabado, Spain

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1161328

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER (SCOTLAND) SCO46352

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements For The Year Ended 30 September 2023
for
Trec GB**

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

During this year TREC GB continued to move on from the effects of the Coronavirus. Membership numbers continued to improve and the number of people competing also picked up significantly. This year we ran a combined championship which proved to be very popular and was a success financially as well as being a successful competition.

Once again we had an increase in insurance premium during the year, this was as a result of having more members, but also due to the more litigious nature of sport generally.

The insurers continue to ask for additional information about our activities, which resulted in an increased annual premium. We have ongoing discussions with our insurers in an attempt to limit the premiums paid as well as giving our members the best cover that we can.

We are showing an unrestricted surplus of £7,182 over income. This gives the charity carried forward unrestricted funds of £55,382. The carried forward restricted funds are £300.

Reserves policy

The trustees have given due regard to Charity Commission guidance and aim to hold £40,000 (approx 6 months of expenditure in reserve). Unrestricted reserves are currently in excess of this at £55,382. We intend to use any spare funds to improve our scoring system. Aiming to be able to download data from an electronic dibber system as used by foot orienteers. This would enable more and different types of competition to be run with fewer volunteers and be able to publish results more quickly.

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number
1161328

Registered Charity number (Scotland)
SCO46352

Principal address

Creeds Farm
Elkington
Northampton
NN6 6NJ

Trustees

| | |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| C Cromarty | (Appointed July 2014) |
| C Paine | (Appointed Jan 2015) |
| P Owen | (Appointed July 2021) |
| G Newey | (Appointed July 2021) |
| K Whitehead | (Appointed July 2021) |
| K Donnelley | (Appointed July 2021) |
| C Pollard | (Appointed August 2022) |
| L Robinson | (Appointed March 2023) |

Independent Examiner

J T G Harris ACA
Harris & Clarke LLP
7 Billing Road
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 20 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:


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Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Trec GB

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Trec GB

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Trec GB (the Trust) for the year ended 30 September 2023.

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 have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

J T G Harris ACA

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Date: 20-3-24

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**Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

| | Notes | Unrestricted fund £ | Restricted fund £ | 2023 Total funds £ | 2022 Total funds £ |
|------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | | 873 | - | 873 | 405 |
| Charitable activities | | | | | |
| Competitions | | 39,689 | - | 39,689 | 34,583 |
| Training | | 1,163 | - | 1,163 | 1,622 |
| Membership | | 30,322 | - | 30,322 | 28,465 |
| Other trading activities | 2 | 3,874 | - | 3,874 | 2,003 |
| Investment income | 3 | 174 | - | 174 | 4 |
| Total | | 76,095 | - | 76,095 | 67,082 |
| EXPENDITURE ON | | | | | |
| Raising funds | | 686 | - | 686 | - |
| Charitable activities | | | | | |
| Competitions | | 44,055 | - | 44,055 | 36,107 |
| Training | | 2,234 | - | 2,234 | 615 |
| Administration | | 20,426 | - | 20,426 | 21,433 |
| Marketing | | - | - | - | 1,564 |
| Governance | | 1,512 | - | 1,512 | 1,483 |
| Total | | 68,913 | - | 68,913 | 61,202 |
| NET INCOME | | 7,182 | - | 7,182 | 5,880 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | 48,200 | 300 | 48,500 | 42,620 |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | | 55,382 | 300 | 55,682 | 48,500 |

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet
30 September 2023**

| | Notes | Unrestricted fund £ | Restricted fund £ | 2023 Total funds £ | 2022 Total funds £ |
|--|-------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | | | |
| Debtors | 6 | 340 | - | 340 | - |
| Cash at bank | | <u>74,494</u> | <u>300</u> | <u>74,794</u> | <u>48,500</u> |
| | | 74,834 | 300 | 75,134 | 48,500 |
| CREDITORS | | | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 7 | <u>(19,452)</u> | - | <u>(19,452)</u> | - |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | | <u>55,382</u> | <u>300</u> | <u>55,682</u> | <u>48,500</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | | <u>55,382</u> | <u>300</u> | <u>55,682</u> | <u>48,500</u> |
| NET ASSETS | | <u>55,382</u> | <u>300</u> | <u>55,682</u> | <u>48,500</u> |
| FUNDS | 8 | | | | |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | 55,382 | 48,200 |
| Restricted funds | | | | <u>300</u> | <u>300</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | | | | <u>55,682</u> | <u>48,500</u> |

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 20-3-24 and were signed on its behalf by:


Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended 30 September 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Marketing promotion | <u>3,874</u> | <u>2,003</u> |

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--------------------------|------------|----------|
| | £ | £ |
| Deposit account interest | <u>174</u> | <u>4</u> |

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued

For The Year Ended 30 September 2023

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2023 nor for the year ended 30 September 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 September 2023 nor for the year ended 30 September 2022.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

| | Unrestricted fund £ | Restricted fund £ | Total funds £ |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 405 | - | 405 |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Competitions | 34,583 | - | 34,583 |
| Training | 1,622 | - | 1,622 |
| Membership | 28,465 | - | 28,465 |
| Other trading activities | 2,003 | - | 2,003 |
| Investment income | <u>4</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>4</u> |
| Total | <u>67,082</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>67,082</u> |
| EXPENDITURE ON | | | |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Competitions | 36,107 | - | 36,107 |
| Training | 615 | - | 615 |
| Administration | 21,433 | - | 21,433 |
| Marketing | 1,564 | - | 1,564 |
| Governance | <u>1,483</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>1,483</u> |
| Total | <u>61,202</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>61,202</u> |
| NET INCOME | 5,880 | - | 5,880 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | 42,320 | 300 | 42,620 |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | <u>48,200</u> | <u>300</u> | <u>48,500</u> |

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023

| | | | |
|--|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR | | 2023 | 2022 |
| | | £ | £ |
| Trade debtors | | <u>340</u> | <u>-</u> |
| 7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR | | 2023 | 2022 |
| | | £ | £ |
| Other creditors | | <u>19,452</u> | <u>-</u> |
| 8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS | | | |
| | At 1.10.22 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 30.9.23 £ |
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 48,200 | 7,182 | 55,382 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Restricted | 300 | - | 300 |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>48,500</u> | <u>7,182</u> | <u>55,682</u> |

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

| | | | |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 76,095 | (68,913) | 7,182 |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>76,095</u> | <u>(68,913)</u> | <u>7,182</u> |

Comparatives for movement in funds

| | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
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| General fund | 42,320 | 5,880 | 48,200 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Restricted | 300 | - | 300 |
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For The Year Ended 30 September 2023

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 67,082 | (61,202) | 5,880 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>67,082</u> | <u>(61,202)</u> | <u>5,880</u> |

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

| | At 1.10.21 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 30.9.23 £ |
|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 42,320 | 13,062 | 55,382 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Restricted | 300 | - | 300 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
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| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 143,177 | (130,115) | 13,062 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>143,177</u> | <u>(130,115)</u> | <u>13,062</u> |

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 September 2023.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

10. RESTRICTED FUNDS

A restricted donation of £1,700 was received in 2020 to be used to support affiliated clubs that got into financial difficulties. £300 remains to carry forward into the next financial year.

Trec GB**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

| | 2023 £ | 2022 £ |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS | | |
| Donations and legacies | 809 | 350 |
| Sponsorship | <u>64</u> | <u>55</u> |
| Donations | 873 | 405 |
| | | |
| Other trading activities | 3,874 | 2,003 |
| Marketing promotion | | |
| | | |
| Investment income | 174 | 4 |
| Deposit account interest | | |
| | | |
| Charitable activities | 30,322 | 28,465 |
| Membership fees | 39,689 | 34,583 |
| Competition fees | <u>1,163</u> | <u>1,622</u> |
| Training | 71,174 | 64,670 |
| | | |
| Total incoming resources | 76,095 | 67,082 |
| | | |
| EXPENDITURE | | |
| Other trading activities | 686 | - |
| Promotional items | | |
| | | |
| Charitable activities | 20,225 | 14,839 |
| Insurance | 19,207 | 15,190 |
| Championship expenses | 1,246 | 1,200 |
| Maps | 350 | 555 |
| Winter league prizes | - | 1,943 |
| Printing rulebooks | 792 | 602 |
| League expenses | 2,235 | 1,778 |
| International events | <u>2,234</u> | <u>615</u> |
| Training costs | 46,289 | 36,722 |
| | | |
| Support costs | | |
| Management | - | 339 |
| Marketing | 17,325 | 20,786 |
| Administration | 1,750 | 1,225 |
| Website development | <u>499</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Office equipment | 19,574 | 22,350 |

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

| | 2023 £ | 2022 £ |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Management | | |
| Finance | | |
| Paypal charges | 852 | 647 |
| Governance costs | | |
| Accountancy and legal fees | <u>1,512</u> | <u>1,483</u> |
| Total resources expended | <u>68,913</u> | <u>61,202</u> |
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A training day for International Judges was held in July 2023 and 8 attendees were accepted as International Judges.

During the Winter season, we held 78 affiliated competitions, which was down a little compared to 94 in the previous year.

Over the Summer, competitions and training events were able to go ahead in 2023 and we were able to hold 21 affiliated summer competitions, compared with 34 in the previous year. This year, we combined our two Championships to hold a single competition which was based in Bibury, Gloucestershire. This event attracted the largest ever number of competitors at a TREC competition, with just under 150 horse and rider combinations competing.

The number of training and TREC Camps over the Spring and Summer period has been maintained and these attract people who are not ready (or do not wish) to ride in competition.

Organisers are required to fully Risk Assess their event and put in place mitigating measures as required to comply with any restrictions and guidelines in place at the time.

TREC GB continues to support its sixteen affiliated clubs throughout the year.

Membership increased compared with the previous year. This increase continues as members become more confident after the pandemic and with the resumption of more 'normal' activities. People have started to return to the same level of riding or competition as before the pandemic. The option of membership 'autorenewal' has been widely accepted by our members and has increased the number of members rejoining at the beginning of our membership year, which is particularly important for Red members and 'rolling membership' for Blue members encouraged people to join throughout the year.

TREC GB continues to plan activities for its members and will aim to maintain, and grow, its membership in the future.

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Report of the Trustees For The Year Ended 30 September 2023

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Britain was able to send a junior duo team to compete at the FITE TREC European Championships which were held in August at Riocabado, Spain

Two members attended and judged at the FITE TREC European Championships.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

During this year TREC GB continued to move on from the effects of the Coronavirus. Membership numbers continued to improve and the number of people competing also picked up significantly. This year we ran a combined championship which proved to be very popular and was a success financially as well as being a successful competition.

Once again we had an increase in insurance premium during the year, this was as a result of having more members, but also due to the more litigious nature of sport generally.

The insurers continue to ask for additional information about our activities, which resulted in an increased annual premium. We have ongoing discussions with our insurers in an attempt to limit the premiums paid as well as giving our members the best cover that we can.

We are showing an unrestricted surplus of £7,182 over income. This gives the charity carried forward unrestricted funds of £55,382. The carried forward restricted funds are £300.

Reserves policy

The trustees have given due regard to Charity Commission guidance and aim to hold £40,000 (approx 6 months of expenditure in reserve). Unrestricted reserves are currently in excess of this at £55,382. We intend to use any spare funds to improve our scoring system. Aiming to be able to download data from an electronic dibber system as used by foot orienteers. This would enable more and different types of competition to be run with fewer volunteers and be able to publish results more quickly.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

TREC GB is a charitable incorporated organisation, registered on 20 April 2015, and governed by its constitution, which was amended to the Association Model on 13th September 2019.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The initial Trustees of the Board were democratically elected by the voting members of the existing CIO (before the change in constitution) from those Trustees who submitted an application. Following the change in constitution model, it was decided that a period of Board stability was needed and that the election for any replacement, or additional, trustees was postponed until 2021. Under the new TREC GB Constitution, election of new Trustees was conducted by seeking nominations from the TREC GB membership across the whole of the TREC GB area (Great Britain and the Isle of Man) and all current TREC GB members were able to vote. This election process was also followed in 2022 and new Trustees joined the Board in March 2022.

Decision making

The Board of Trustees meets by conference call every month. TREC GB has twelve Working Groups dealing with all aspects of the sport including finance, training, competition, marketing and liaison with FITE (the World Governing Body for TREC). A Working Group may be asked to investigate and discuss an issue and make proposals to the Board as to whether a recommendation should be adopted and implemented by TREC GB. All documents (reports, recommendations and proposals) are presented to their intended recipients at least a week in advance of meetings to allow plenty of time for consideration.

Trec GB

**Report of the Trustees
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number
1161328

Registered Charity number (Scotland)
SCO46352

Principal address

Creeds Farm
Elkington
Northampton
NN6 6NJ

Trustees

| | |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| C Cromarty | (Appointed July 2014) |
| C Paine | (Appointed Jan 2015) |
| P Owen | (Appointed July 2021) |
| G Newey | (Appointed July 2021) |
| K Whitehead | (Appointed July 2021) |
| K Donnelley | (Appointed July 2021) |
| C Pollard | (Appointed August 2022) |
| L Robinson | (Appointed March 2023) |

Independent Examiner

J T G Harris ACA
Harris & Clarke LLP
7 Billing Road
Northampton
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
NN1 5AN

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 20 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:


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Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Trec GB

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Trec GB

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Trec GB (the Trust) for the year ended 30 September 2023.

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 have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

J T G Harris ACA

Harris & Clarke LLP
7 Billing Road
Northampton
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
NN1 5AN

Date: 20-3-24

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**Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

| | Notes | Unrestricted fund £ | Restricted fund £ | 2023 Total funds £ | 2022 Total funds £ |
|------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | | 873 | - | 873 | 405 |
| Charitable activities | | | | | |
| Competitions | | 39,689 | - | 39,689 | 34,583 |
| Training | | 1,163 | - | 1,163 | 1,622 |
| Membership | | 30,322 | - | 30,322 | 28,465 |
| Other trading activities | 2 | 3,874 | - | 3,874 | 2,003 |
| Investment income | 3 | 174 | - | 174 | 4 |
| Total | | <u>76,095</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>76,095</u> | <u>67,082</u> |
| EXPENDITURE ON | | | | | |
| Raising funds | | 686 | - | 686 | - |
| Charitable activities | | | | | |
| Competitions | | 44,055 | - | 44,055 | 36,107 |
| Training | | 2,234 | - | 2,234 | 615 |
| Administration | | 20,426 | - | 20,426 | 21,433 |
| Marketing | | - | - | - | 1,564 |
| Governance | | 1,512 | - | 1,512 | 1,483 |
| Total | | <u>68,913</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>68,913</u> | <u>61,202</u> |
| NET INCOME | | 7,182 | - | 7,182 | 5,880 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | 48,200 | 300 | 48,500 | 42,620 |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | | <u>55,382</u> | <u>300</u> | <u>55,682</u> | <u>48,500</u> |

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet
30 September 2023**

| | Notes | Unrestricted fund £ | Restricted fund £ | 2023 Total funds £ | 2022 Total funds £ |
|--|-------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | | | |
| Debtors | 6 | 340 | - | 340 | - |
| Cash at bank | | <u>74,494</u> | <u>300</u> | <u>74,794</u> | <u>48,500</u> |
| | | 74,834 | 300 | 75,134 | 48,500 |
| CREDITORS | | | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 7 | <u>(19,452)</u> | - | <u>(19,452)</u> | - |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | | <u>55,382</u> | <u>300</u> | <u>55,682</u> | <u>48,500</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | | <u>55,382</u> | <u>300</u> | <u>55,682</u> | <u>48,500</u> |
| NET ASSETS | | <u>55,382</u> | <u>300</u> | <u>55,682</u> | <u>48,500</u> |
| FUNDS | 8 | | | | |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | 55,382 | 48,200 |
| Restricted funds | | | | <u>300</u> | <u>300</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | | | | <u>55,682</u> | <u>48,500</u> |

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 20-3-24 and were signed on its behalf by:


Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended 30 September 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Marketing promotion | <u>3,874</u> | <u>2,003</u> |

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--------------------------|------------|----------|
| | £ | £ |
| Deposit account interest | <u>174</u> | <u>4</u> |

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued

For The Year Ended 30 September 2023

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2023 nor for the year ended 30 September 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 September 2023 nor for the year ended 30 September 2022.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

| | Unrestricted fund £ | Restricted fund £ | Total funds £ |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 405 | - | 405 |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Competitions | 34,583 | - | 34,583 |
| Training | 1,622 | - | 1,622 |
| Membership | 28,465 | - | 28,465 |
| Other trading activities | 2,003 | - | 2,003 |
| Investment income | <u>4</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>4</u> |
| Total | <u>67,082</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>67,082</u> |
| EXPENDITURE ON | | | |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Competitions | 36,107 | - | 36,107 |
| Training | 615 | - | 615 |
| Administration | 21,433 | - | 21,433 |
| Marketing | 1,564 | - | 1,564 |
| Governance | <u>1,483</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>1,483</u> |
| Total | <u>61,202</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>61,202</u> |
| NET INCOME | 5,880 | - | 5,880 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | 42,320 | 300 | 42,620 |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | <u>48,200</u> | <u>300</u> | <u>48,500</u> |

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023

| | | | |
|--|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR | | 2023 | 2022 |
| | | £ | £ |
| Trade debtors | | <u>340</u> | <u>-</u> |
| 7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR | | 2023 | 2022 |
| | | £ | £ |
| Other creditors | | <u>19,452</u> | <u>-</u> |
| 8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS | | | |
| | At 1.10.22 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 30.9.23 £ |
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 48,200 | 7,182 | 55,382 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Restricted | 300 | - | 300 |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>48,500</u> | <u>7,182</u> | <u>55,682</u> |

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

| | | | |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 76,095 | (68,913) | 7,182 |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>76,095</u> | <u>(68,913)</u> | <u>7,182</u> |

Comparatives for movement in funds

| | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| | At 1.10.21 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 30.9.22 £ |
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 42,320 | 5,880 | 48,200 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Restricted | 300 | - | 300 |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>42,620</u> | <u>5,880</u> | <u>48,500</u> |

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 67,082 | (61,202) | 5,880 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>67,082</u> | <u>(61,202)</u> | <u>5,880</u> |

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

| | At 1.10.21 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 30.9.23 £ |
|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 42,320 | 13,062 | 55,382 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Restricted | 300 | - | 300 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>42,620</u> | <u>13,062</u> | <u>55,682</u> |

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 143,177 | (130,115) | 13,062 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>143,177</u> | <u>(130,115)</u> | <u>13,062</u> |

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 September 2023.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

10. RESTRICTED FUNDS

A restricted donation of £1,700 was received in 2020 to be used to support affiliated clubs that got into financial difficulties. £300 remains to carry forward into the next financial year.

Trec GB**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

| | 2023 £ | 2022 £ |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS | | |
| Donations and legacies | 809 | 350 |
| Sponsorship | <u>64</u> | <u>55</u> |
| Donations | 873 | 405 |
| | | |
| Other trading activities | 3,874 | 2,003 |
| Marketing promotion | | |
| | | |
| Investment income | 174 | 4 |
| Deposit account interest | | |
| | | |
| Charitable activities | 30,322 | 28,465 |
| Membership fees | 39,689 | 34,583 |
| Competition fees | <u>1,163</u> | <u>1,622</u> |
| Training | 71,174 | 64,670 |
| | | |
| Total incoming resources | 76,095 | 67,082 |
| | | |
| EXPENDITURE | | |
| Other trading activities | 686 | - |
| Promotional items | | |
| | | |
| Charitable activities | 20,225 | 14,839 |
| Insurance | 19,207 | 15,190 |
| Championship expenses | 1,246 | 1,200 |
| Maps | 350 | 555 |
| Winter league prizes | - | 1,943 |
| Printing rulebooks | 792 | 602 |
| League expenses | 2,235 | 1,778 |
| International events | <u>2,234</u> | <u>615</u> |
| Training costs | 46,289 | 36,722 |
| | | |
| Support costs | | |
| Management | - | 339 |
| Marketing | 17,325 | 20,786 |
| Administration | 1,750 | 1,225 |
| Website development | <u>499</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Office equipment | 19,574 | 22,350 |

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

| | 2023 £ | 2022 £ |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Management | | |
| Finance | | |
| Paypal charges | 852 | 647 |
| Governance costs | | |
| Accountancy and legal fees | <u>1,512</u> | <u>1,483</u> |
| Total resources expended | <u>68,913</u> | <u>61,202</u> |
| Net income | <u>7,182</u> | <u>5,880</u> |

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