

Trustee's Annual Report **For the period 1/9/22- 31/8/23**

Reference and administration details

<i>Charity Name</i>	Maxi's Mates
<i>Registered Charity No:</i>	1162442
<i>Address</i>	Maxi's Mates Rescue & Rehoming Centre Carlin Howe Farm Redcar Rd Dunsdale TS14 6RG

<i>Charity Trustees:</i>	Jane Galliford - Secretary & Admin Antonia Boyd - Chairperson Lesley Jones - Treasurer
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Maxi's Mates is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The object of Maxi's Mates is for the benefit of the public to relieve the suffering of dogs in need of care and attention. We provide a safe haven for stray and surrendered dogs and to finding them their forever home. We firmly believe ALL dogs deserve another chance at finding that right home for them. We care deeply about dogs regardless of breed, age or whether they are sociable with other dogs or not. Maxi's Mates will meet all their needs until we can find them their forever home and for however long it takes. We vaccinate, spay or neuter where possible and home check every home. Our mission is to protect our stray dogs and provide them with a safe place for as long as they need.

Maxi's Mates is governed by its 3 Trustees and supported by a committee of 7 people plus groups of volunteers. In this year we employed 14 paid staff. Volunteers do a variety of roles including walking dogs, cleaning kennels and carrying out home checks. We also provide a practical learning environment for students from local colleges undertaking relevant studies.

Our dedicated staff are still in operation with the same rota and have 2 shifts per day 7 days a week. We have a steady group of volunteers who are invaluable to the running of the kennels.

We have worked hard to ensure that the strays of Redcar & Cleveland and Hambleton councils areas have a safe place to stay with us. Between 1st September 2022 and the 31st August 2023 we took in 239 dogs in total. We have continued to ensure that our dogs receive the best veterinary care as well as continuing our vaccination, flea and worming programme. We have

also neutered dogs via our rehoming policy and provided specialist veterinary treatment when needed.

We were awarded a grant of 12 K from the GBGB; Newcastle and Sunderland Stadiums to refit and make ready 12 existing kennels into suitable ones for Greyhounds. (All with tiled floors and windows for ventilation and plenty of space for them.)

Maxi's Mates are now a rehoming partner for retired Greyhounds and we are linked to the Sunderland and Newcastle Stadiums. All the dogs are neutered, vaccinated and vet checked before coming in to us. We have taken in 19 Greyhounds this year on the scheme and successfully rehomed all of them into their first real home.

In February 2022 we had started work on the long term kennels from the grant of 27K awarded by Support Adoption For Pets. These 5 bigger brighter tiled kennels with individual outside runs for each dog were finally completed this year,

On the 9/10/2022, we had an opening ceremony. The Mayor Andy Preston cut the ribbon to open the new kennels. We were also celebrating our 10th birthday that day.

Maxi's Mates started from humble beginnings on 9/10/2012, after catching a stray dog who we named Maxi. We then began volunteering at our local stray dog pound as volunteers ourselves: we took photos of each dog; advertised their profiles online; gave them names; helped make sure these strays got homes/rescue spaces; asked for donations of food and bedding to support the pound until we took over in our own right. We opened in a different location and as a registered charity on 1/1/2016. These ten years have seen Maxi's Mates grow into what it has become today, and we could not be prouder.

Summary of the main activities & achievements of last year

The Trustees of Maxi's Mates have followed the Public Benefit guidance set out by the Charities Commission in all aspects of our aims and objectives.

- We have successfully remained in operation throughout the last year helping reunite, rehome and provide a safe haven for our long-term dogs that still need a home.
- We have completed the long term kennels for our longest residents and had an opening ceremony with the Mayor of Middlesbrough Andy Preston cutting the ribbon on our 10th Birthday Celebrations
- We successfully fund raised to add 4 new kennels and 2 we revamped which meant 6 kennels were bigger, brighter and all with

newly tiled floors providing a much comfier environment for the dogs

- We made ready 12 kennels for Greyhounds that are retiring from racing from Newcastle & Sunderland and became a rehoming partner to them.
- We have increased the number of dedicated volunteers, the student placements are still in operation which are a big help to us and offering them invaluable experience.
- We continue to allow dog walking for those in schools, colleges, rehabilitation centres, care homes, residential homes, NHS groups that come with carers/teachers/support workers to walk our dogs. This enables them to enjoy some time out or helping recuperate from either mental health issues or medical operations or simply wanting to work and be with dogs. We welcome people of ages and all abilities.
- We have ensured that all dogs requiring veterinary care have received this and that all dogs are vaccinated and free from worms' ticks and fleas. Also, dogs adopted we are continuing on with the spaying castration programme.
- We have retained our valued supporters and gained new ones who love what we are trying to achieve and do whatever they can to help us.
- We had to postpone the arranged dog show in July 2023 due to terrible weather and flooding. It was rearranged for September 2023

Financial Review

Maxi's Mates is a not-for-profit organisation. We only keep reserves sufficient to cover the normal cash flow requirements of our ongoing activities with a buffer to cover unexpected costs. This year we have made some more improvements to achieving some progress towards our Reserves Policy and increased our planned surplus to cover six months running costs. The impact of Covid 19 has shown this to be a conservative buffer to ensure our financial safety.

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PROFIT & LOSS
01 September 2022 - 31 August 2023
Charity Number 1162442

	£	£
Income		
Donations	193,825	
Council Fees & Grants	25,968	
Total Income		219,793
 Expenditure		
Gross Wages	87,437	
Animal Bedding, Feed & Supplies	3,245	
Vetinary Treatment	22,076	
Fund Raising Costs	540	
Rent & Rates	16,817	
Water Rates	675	
Insurance	1,050	
Heat Light & Power	8,136	
Motor Expenses	4,008	
Office Expenses	931	
Telephone	2,194	
Accounts Fee & HR	3,191	
Premises Expenses	45,857	
Subscriptions	418	
Clothing and PPE Costs	469	
Suspense	-	
Total Expenditure		197,044
 NET PROFIT / LOSS		 22,750

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21 November 2023

To whom it may concern,

I confirm that I completed Maxis Mates Financial Accounts from the period 01 September 2022 to 31 August 2023.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L Adams', written in a cursive style.

Miss L Adams