

Trustees Annual Report

1stth January 2023 to 31st December 2023

Guiseley Rangers Amateur Rugby League Football Club

Registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales

Charity Registration Number: 1168301

Date:

12th October 2024

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Reference and Administration Details

Charity Details

Charity Name: Guiseley Rangers Amateur Rugby League Football Club

Charity Number: 1168301

Charity's Operating Address: 3 Rufford Gardens
Yeadon
LEEDS
LS19 7GG

Names of the Charity Trustees Who Manage the Charity

Trustee	Office (if any)	Appointed	Retired
Mr Neil Anthony Schofield	-	9 th January 2019	-
Mrs Helen Louise Schofield	-	19 th November 2020	-
Mrs Michelle Elizabeth Hobson	-	9 th January 2019	-
Mr Richard McEwan-Peters	-	9 th January 2019	-
Mr Alexander Bayfield	-	9 th January 2019	-
Mrs Rose Oliver	-	3 rd November 2022	-
Mr Stuart Miles Bennett	-	3 rd November 2022	-
Mr Stephen Hobson	-	11 th May 2022	-
Mr Anthony Asquith	-	11 th May 2022	15 th October 2023
Mr James Simpson	-	26 th March 2023	
Mr Steven Ingleson	-	26 th June 2023	
Mr Andrew Saunders	-	12 th September 2023	

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of the Charity's Trusts

Governing Document: Constitution dated 19th July 2016

Organisational Structure: Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Trustee Appointment Method: By a resolution passed at a trustees meeting

No other person or body is entitled to appoint trustees.

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the Objects of the Charity (as set out in the Constitution)

The objects of the CIO are:

- (1) to promote community participation in healthy recreation for the benefit of the inhabitants of Guiseley and Rawdon ward by the provision of facilities for the playing of rugby league.
- (2) To promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of Guiseley and Rawdon ward and the surrounding area the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the conditions of life of said inhabitants.
- (3) to help young people, especially but not exclusively through leisure time activities, so as to develop their capabilities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society.

Summary of the Main Activities Undertaken for the Public Benefit in Relation to the Charity's Objects

The club promotes participation in rugby league through the provision of facilities, equipment and coaching.

The club operates a number of rugby league teams at different age groups which take part in both competitive and non-competitive structures affiliated to the national governing body of the sport - the Rugby Football League.

Statutory Declaration

The trustees declare that they have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

Summary of the Main Achievements of the Charity during the Period

Despite finally being able to put the pandemic behind us, the club were unable to significantly increase the number of registered players. The main reason for this was the disbanding of the previous season's U16s team after six of their players were selected for Scholarships at Leeds Rhinos and Bradford Bulls, leaving the remainder to join our newly formed Open Age team.

We are honoured to be joined by James Simpson as a trustee of the club. James has enjoyed a stellar 10-year career with Leeds Rhinos Wheelchair Rugby team in the Super League, and is a current world cup winner with the England team. James, a former Lance Corporal in the 1st Battalion Yorkshire Regiment, is now the Leeds Rhinos Wheelchair team coach.

Primary & Youth Rugby

During the 2023 season the club had a total of 112 registered junior players and 37 registered volunteers:

Under 7s (6 registered players)

Under 8s (11)

Under 9s (16)

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Under 10s (10)

Under 11s (18)

Under 12s Boys (20)

Under 12s Girls (7)

Under 13s Boys (24)

The junior players combined to participate in teams registered within the Yorkshire Junior & Youth League at age groups U8s, U9s, U10s, U11s, U12s Boys, U12s Girls and U13s Boys.

As we did not have enough Under 12 girls players to form a team on our own, the club partnered with Birkenshaw Blue dogs who were in a similar position. The joint venture enabled girls from both clubs to play regular competitive matches.

The 2023 season brought mixed fortunes. One of the standout performances was the U12s Boys winning Division 2 after losing only 2 matches all season. The U13s also deserve a mention for their efforts in the Yorkshire Juniors Continuation Cup. Unfortunately, they lost in the final to Featherstone Lions at the Fox's Biscuits Stadium in Batley.

One of our former junior players, Fran Goldthorp, has continued her meteoric rise and is now playing for North Queensland Cowboys, becoming one of the first three UK-based players to sign for a WNRL side.

Open Age

In what is a great addition to the club, we were able to field an Open Age team for the first time in many years. With 30 registered players, the team has competed in the Yorkshire Men's league. This team ensures that we can now provide opportunities to enjoy rugby at Guiseley from age 6 to 106.

Masters

The 20 players in the Masters side have continued to maintain their enthusiastic and enjoyable pursuit of the game at age 35+.

Financial Review

Review of the Charity's Financial Position at the End of the Period

During this financial period, the club broadly broke even on income of £18,700. The income represents a slight decrease on the previous year, mainly due to a reduction in player registrations.

The club spent a total of £2,420 on training for coaches and volunteers. Although this cost is significant, the trustees view this as an essential investment in the club's future.

The club ended the period with a bank balance of around £40k. The trustees believe this to be sufficient to meet all its future commitments as they fall due.

The Charity's Principal Sources of Funds

The club requires each junior player to pay an annual registration fee to cover costs associated with their participation. For the 2023 season, this remained at £85 although this no longer included the RFL registration fee which players now pay in addition. A reduced registration fee of £60 is offered to families with more than one child registered.

The trustees may, at their discretion, reduce or cancel the registration fee required for any player for whom the cost would represent a barrier to participation.

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The club received £6,700 in registration fees. Masters players are only required to pay fees on match days and this income amounted to around £330.

Plans for 2024

The trustees would like to increase participation levels at all age groups. Recruitment efforts will target younger children (3 to 5 year-olds) as we feel this age group is already being attracted by other sports. In addition the club will provide taster sessions at all age groups, promoted by campaigns on social media.

New protocols will be introduced by the RFL in 2024 to eliminate contact in the younger age groups in an attempt to promote the sport to new participants.

We will continue to provide opportunities for the younger players to take part in matchday activities at local professional clubs.

The trustees continue to look for opportunities to improve our matchday and training facilities. If the club's ambitions for future growth are achieved, then we will find ourselves limited by the existing pitch and hospitality facilities. We will investigate the feasibility of providing more playing areas, subject receiving the necessary permissions from Leeds City Council.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the CIO trustees:

Trustee #1

Signature:

N.A. Schofield

Trustee #2

Helen Schofield

Full Name:

NEIL SCHOFIELD

HELEN SCHOFIELD

Position

TRUSTEE

TRUSTEE

Date:

12/10/24

12/10/24



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/01/2023

To

31/12/2023

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					
Registration Fees	7,049	-	-	7,049	-
Kitchen	5,241	-	-	5,241	-
Tickets for Leeds Rhinos	2,398	-	-	2,398	-
Presentation Nights	2,365	-	-	2,365	-
Raffles	964	-	-	964	-
Kit	413	-	-	413	-
Misc Income	170	-	-	170	-
Sponsorship	100	-	-	100	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	18,700	-	-	18,700	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	18,700	-	-	18,700	-
A3 Payments					
Utilities and Insurance	3,022	-	-	3,022	-
Equipment and Kit	2,661	-	-	2,661	-
Tickets for Leeds Rhinos	2,527	-	-	2,527	-
Volunteer Training	2,420	-	-	2,420	-
Catering	2,293	-	-	2,293	-
Rent and Rates	1,973	-	-	1,973	-
Presentation Nights	1,880	-	-	1,880	-
Playing Costs	1,260	-	-	1,260	-
Repairs	280	-	-	280	-
Sub total	18,316	-	-	18,316	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	18,316	-	-	18,316	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	384	-	-	384	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	39,844	-	-	39,844	-
Cash funds this year end	40,228	-	-	40,228	-

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash	184	-	-
	Bank	40,044	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	40,228	-	-

Unrestricted funds

Restricted funds

Endowment funds

B2 Other monetary assets

Details

to nearest £

to nearest £

to nearest £

B3 Investment assets

Details

Fund to which asset belongs

Cost (optional)

Current value
(optional)

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details

Fund to which asset belongs

Cost (optional)

Current value
(optional)

B5 Liabilities

Details

Fund to which liability relates

Amount due
(optional)

When due
(optional)

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

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

MR NEIL A SCHOFIELD

08/10/2024

MRS HELEN L SCHOFIELD

08/10/2024

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